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NORTH CAROLINA

FROM 1584 TO 1893.

The discovery of America by Christopher Columbus in 1492, is a bit of history well known even by the children of our free and independent country, who, October 12, 1892, celebrated the four hundredth anniversary of his landing on our soil; but it is of our own Commonwealth which the author wishes to give a brief history, from its formation to the present.

In 1584 Sir Walter Raleigh obtained a patent from Queen Elizabeth, fitted out two ships, under the command of Amidas and Barlow, and in April sailed from England, and in July of the same year landed on the shores of North Carolina, on Roanoke Island, in Currituck County. These Anglo-Saxon arrivals, composing the first English colony, were given a hearty welcome by the Indians, who alone inhabited this Western World. The two sailors soon returned, and gave such glowing accounts of the auspicious country just explored, that within three years several other families had made their way to the same Island. Among the new arrivals was Eleanor Dare, wife of one of the party, who soon became the mother of the first English child born on American soil, whose name was Virginia Dare, and who was born August 18, 1587.

From time to time quite a number came over and settled on Carolina's soil, however the greater part of the English settlers were exterminated by the savages; but the first permanent settlers were along the Albemarle Sound as early as 1650, and a few fat cattle and 800 hogsheads of tobacco were their only possessions.

The first grant was made on Roanoke Sound March 1, 1662, by Yeopim, the King of the Indians, to George Durant. The fair records of Carolina's early fame are buried amid the mass of official documents in the office of the Board of Trade and Plantations in London, hence, scarcely any original records of North Carolina, for the first fifty years, can be found, excepting those of Governors and Councils, which go no further back than 1712, though there were Governors as far back as 1662

but the Assembly records date back only to 1754, yet they were held as early as 1665.

In 1663 Wm. Drummond was appointed the first Governor of the Colony of Carolina. During this period the people enjoyed freedom and had very simple laws. The Colonists declared against excessive taxation. This country had been the refuge of Quakers and others, fleeing from religious persecution. The first church was established in 1705.

In its early settlement all the territory between Virginia and Florida, on the Atlantic, and as far west as the Ohio River, and perhaps to the Pacific Ocean, was included in Carolina, but on March 1, 1693, a fundamental Constitution was adopted, and it was divided into North and South Carolina.

This State, one of the original thirteen, containing less than 10,000 inhabitants, was divided into three counties—Albemarle, subdivided into six precincts — Currituck, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Chowan, Bertie and Tyrrell; Bath—four—Beaufort, Hyde, Craven, Carteret; Clarendon—one—New Hanover, which included the entire western portion of this State and Tennessee, then an unknown land, inhabited by savages and beasts of prey. The "Old North State" is 503¼ miles in length from east to west, and its average breadth 100 miles, its extreme breadth being 187½ miles. Its area embraces 33,440,000 acres, and 52,286 square miles, of which 48,666 is land, and 3,620 is water. It is included nearly between the parallels of 34° and 36½° north latitude, and between the meridians 75½° and 84½° west longitude. Her soil is admirably adapted to the growth of cotton, tobacco, rice, fruit, grasses and all the cereal crops; her coast lakes and canals are magnificent; her streams abound with fish, and water-power unsurpassed; her mountains are grand and picturesque, and some as lofty as 7,000 feet. It also abounds in rich mineral deposits, and fine timbers of all kinds, and as to her climate and future possibilities, they are unexcelled. In 1775 there were 35 counties, and now 96 counties.

The Governors were elected by the Assembly until 1836, when Governor Dudley was elected by the people, and inaugurated January 1, 1837. Prior to 1792 the Assembly met alternately in Newbern, Fayetteville, Edenton, Tarboro, Hillsboro, and elsewhere. The old Capitol was burned in June, 1831, on the

ruins of which one of the best in the South now stands, costing $520,000. The first Assembly held under the State Constitution, met in Newbern, in April, 1777. Governors were chosen by the Lords Proprietors from 1663 to 1730, by Crowns to 1777, and by Assemblies to 1836, and by popular vote to the present. The first newspaper in the State was published by James Davis, Newbern, *Weekly Gazette*, in 1749, who also published the first book, "Yellow Jacket," in 1775. Now about 200 newspapers.

The Indians frequently invaded the colonies, and occasionally would take the scalps of a few settlers. On September 11, 1711, was one of the heaviest battles in which the red man participated, which took place at Roanoke, and 112 persons fell under the bow and arrow and tomahawk. The Regulators and Royal troops engaged in the first regular battle ever fought in the State, in Alamance County, May 16, 1771. Following this were the Revolutionary war from 1776 to 1781, the battles at King's Mountain, Guilford Court-house, and at Cowpens at the close of the Revolutionary war, about 1781, and the War of 1812, and the Mexican war in 1846 and '47, in all of which some of our most gallant sons mustered among the front ranks. The late civil war between the States, which was fought from 1861 to '65, contained about 200,000 men from this State, who were noted as valiant soldiers and were last to secede. The Constitution was adopted February 14, 1868, and the State was restored to the Union in July of the same year, and it is the hope of every peaceable and law-abiding citizen that the hatchet has been buried forever, and that our soil will never again be stained with blood of battle.

North Carolina's records have not declined as they have been reviewed for the past two centuries, but staunch and true she was found May 20, 1775, leading in a Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. Her citizens, which now number 1,617,947, are an industrious and law-abiding people. Our coat-of-arms declares "Liberty and Plenty," and the State motto is equally as appropriate, "*Esse quam videri*," "To be rather than to seem to be." The State Government controls. Business interests, trades and professions, educational and moral training and care for the unfortunate have kept pace with other States, and we are second to but few in population, manufacturing, railroads,

fisheries and agriculture, as well as tar, pitch and turpentine. This is chiefly an agricultural State, and it was in her soil that the first seeds by the English were planted. The Auditor's report of 1892 shows that the valuation of property in the State (as given in by taxpayers, and supposed to be only about two-thirds of its real value) amounts to $262,796,816. Judging from the progress and development of the past, her possibilities are still greater for the succeeding ages.

In concluding these few pages of North Carolina history, it is quite appropriate to give the following lines from the pen of one of her most distinguished and patriotic sons, Judge William Gaston, of the Supreme Court bench, who died January 24, 1844.

THE OLD NORTH STATE FOREVER.

Carolina! Carolina! Heaven's blessings attend her!
While we live, we will cherish and love and defend her;
Though the scorner may sneer at, and witlings defame her,
Our hearts swell with gladness, whenever we name her.

Hurrah! Hurrah! the old North State forever!
Hurrah! Hurrah! the good old North State!

Though she envies not others their merited glory,
Say, whose name stands the foremost in Liberty's story!
Though too true to herself e'er to crouch to oppression,
Who can yield to just rule more loyal submission?

Plain and artless her sons, but whose doors open faster,
At the knock of the stranger or the tale of disaster?
How like to the rudeness of their dear native mountains,
With rich ore in their bosoms, and life in their fountains.

And her daughters, the Queen of the forest resembling,
So graceful, so constant, yet to gentlest breath trembling;
And true lightwood at heart, let the match be applied them
How they kindle and flame! Oh, none know but who've tried them.

Then let all who love us, love the land that we live in,
(As happy a region as on this side of Heaven,)
Where Plenty and Freedom, Love and Peace smile before us,
Raise aloud, raise together, the heart thrilling chorus!

No one in this domain can but pay homage to Sir Walter Raleigh for his efforts to colonize Carolina. He was born in 1552, and beheaded in 1618 for offences of which he was innocent.

Raleigh, North Carolina's capital, was established in Wake County, the centre of the State, in 1792, and was named in honor of the illustrious Sir Walter Raleigh, whose picture appears in the front of this book. The capital city has a population of 15,000, with bright possibilities before her. Wilmington, Charlotte, Asheville and Winston are the only cities in the State which are equal in population.

GOVERNORS OF THE COLONY AND STATES.

UNDER THE LORDS PROPRIETORS.

Geo. Drummond ....1663–'67
Samuel Stevens .....1667–'74
—— Cartwright.....1674–'77
—— Miller .....1677–'78
John Culpeper.....1678–'80
John Harvey .....1680–'81
John Jenkins.....1681–'83
Seth Sothel .....1683–'89
Philip Ludwell.....1689–'93
Alex. Livingston ....1693–'95
Thos. Harvey.....1695–1705
Henderson Walker ..1705–'09
Wm. Grover 1709–10
Edward Hyde .....1710–'22
Thos. Pollock 1722
Wm. Reed .....1722–'24
Geo. Burrington .....1724–'25
Sir Rich'd Everhard, 1725–'30

UNDER THE CROWN.

Geo. Burrington.....1730–'34
Gabriel Johnston ....1734–'53
Nathaniel Rice.....1753–'54
Matthew Rowan..... 1754
Arthur Dobbs .....1754–'65
Wm. Tyson .....1765–'71
Josiah Martin .....1771–'75

ELECTED BY THE ASSEMBLY.

Richard Caswell ....1777–'79
Abner Nast.....1779–'81
Alex. Martin .....1782–'84
Richard Caswell ....1784–'87
Samuel Johnston ....1787–'89
Alex. Martin .....1789–'92
Richard Spaight ....1784–'97
Samuel Ashe .....1797–'98
Wm. R. Davie.....1798–'99
Benj. Williams.....1799–1802
Jas. Turner .....1802–'05
Nath. Alexander ....1805–'07
Benj. Williams .....1807–'08
David Stone .....1808–'10
Benj. Smith .....1810–'11
Wm. Hawkins.....1811–'14
Wm. Miller .....1814–'17
John Branch .....1817–'20
Jesse Franklin .....1820–'21
Gabriel Holmes .....1821–'24
Hutchings Burton ...1824–'27
Jas. Iredell .....1827–'28
John Owen .....1828–'30
Monfort Stokes .....1830–'32
David L. Swain .....1832–'35
Richard Spaight .....1835–'57

ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE.

Edward B. Dudley ...1837–'41
John M. Morehead ...1841–'45
Wm. A. Graham .....1845–'49
Chas. Manly .....1849–'51
David S. Reid .....1851–'55
Thos. Bragg .....1855–'59
John W. Ellis .....1859–'61
H. T. Clark (acting) ..1861–'62
Zeb. B. Vance .....1862–'65
W. W. Holden (prov.) 1865
Jonathan Worth.....1865–'68
W. W. Holden .....1868–'71
Tod R. Caldwell.....1871–'74
Curtis H. Brogden ...1874–'77
Zeb. B. Vance .....1877–'79
Thos. J. Jarvis .....1879–'85
Alfred M. Scales .....1885–'89
Daniel G. Fowle .....1889–'91
T. M. Holt (acting) ..1891–'93
Elias Carr .....1893–'97

POPULATION OF NORTH CAROLINA.

(*From the Census of 1890.*)

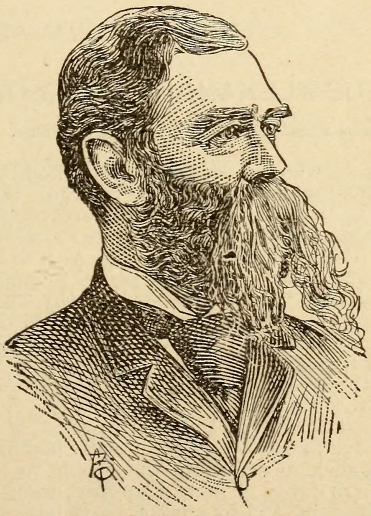
Alamance	18,271
Alexander	9,430
Alleghany	6,523
Anson	20,027
Ashe	15,628
Beaufort	21,072
Bertie	19,176
Bladen	16,763
Brunswick	10,900
Buncombe	35,266
Burke	14,939
Cabarrus	18,142
Caldwell	12,298
Camden	5,667
Carteret	10,825
Caswell	16,028
Catawba	18,689
Chatham	25,413
Cherokee	9,976
Chowan	9,167
Clay	4,197
Cleveland	20,394
Columbus	17,856
Craven	20,533
Cumberland	27,321
Currituck	6,747
Dare	3,768
Davidson	21,702
Davie	11,621
Duplin	18,690
Durham	18,041
Edgecombe	24,113
Forsyth	28,434
Franklin	21,090
Gaston	17,764
Gates	10,252
Graham	3,313
Granville	24,484
Greene	10,039
Guilford	28,052
Halifax	28,908
Harnett	13,700
Haywood	13,346
Henderson	12,589
Hertford	13,851
Hyde	8,903
Iredell	25,462
Jackson	9,512
Johnston	27,239
Jones	7,403
Lenoir	14,879
Lincoln	12,586
McDowell	10,939
Macon	10,102
Madison	17,805
Martin	15,221
Mecklenburg	42,673
Mitchell	12,807
Montgomery	11,239
Moore	20,479
Nash	20,707
New Hanover	24,026
Northampton	21,242
Onslow	10,303
Orange	14,948
Pamlico	7,146
Pasquotank	10,748
Pender	12,514
Perquimans	9,293
Person	15,151
Pitt	25,519
Polk	5,902
Randolph	25,195
Richmond	23,948
Robeson	31,483
Rockingham	25,363
Rowan	24,123
Rutherford	18,770
Sampson	25,096
Stanly	12,136
Stokes	17,199
Surry	19,281
Swain	6,577
Transylvania	5,881
Tyrrell	4,225
Union	21,259
Vance	17,581
Wake	49,207
Warren	19,360
Washington	10,200
Watauga	10,611
Wayne	26,100
Wilkes	22,675
Wilson	18,644
Yadkin	13,790
Yancey	9,490
White	1,055,382
Colored	262,565
Total population	1,617,947

STATE OFFICERS.

ELIAS CARR,

Governor of North Carolina.

The subject of this sketch, who is the 71st to fill the Gubernatorial chair of the "Old North State," is 51 years of age, and was born at "Brace Ridge Farm" in Edgecombe County, and is a son of Jonas Carr, a relative of the late Governor Samuel Johnston of Revolutionary fame. His education was received mainly at the Universities of North Carolina and Virginia. He



ELIAS CARR.

married Miss Eleanor, an accomplished daughter of Wm. Kearney, of Warren County, and they have three grown sons and two little daughters.

All of his life has been spent on the farm at the old homestead, where he has gained an enviable reputation as the best farmer in the State; his chief pride being dairying, making ensilage and raising fine cattle. Mr. Carr was a delegate to

the Farmers' Congress, held in St. Paul some years ago, and has frequently been favored with similar honors. He is a member of the World's Fair Commission, and for years member of the State Agricultural Society; was a member of the Board of County Commissioners. In 1889 was elected President of the State Farmers' Alliance, and was a delegate to the National Council which met in Ocala, Fla., December, 1889, and, in this, like all other things, his course was conservative and worthy of example. On the 18th day of May, 1892, he was nominated by the Democratic Convention for the highest position in the gift of the people of the State, which was unsought for, and as much a surprise to himself as his friends. He canvassed the entire State, and on the 8th of November, received almost as many votes as his three opponents combined. He was inaugurated on the 18th of January, 1893, and now, for the first time in the history of the "Old North State," the executive chair is filled by a farmer, and equally as creditable as it was by any of his predecessors.

RUFUS ALEXANDER DOUGHTON,

Lieutenant-Governor of North Carolina.

This gentleman, who not only holds the second highest position in the State, that of Lieutenant-Governor, but he is also President of the Senate, which he fills acceptably. He was born in Alleghany County, January 10, 1857, and was educated at the High School at Independence, Va., and was at the University from 1878 to 1880. He was licensed to practice law in June, 1880, and practiced in partnership with the late E. L. Vaughan. He was married January 2, 1883, to Miss Sue Parks, of Alleghany, and has one son and one daughter. He was County Superintendent of Schools in 1883, and in 1887 was elected to the House of Representatives. He was re-elected in 1889, and served as Chairman of the Committee on Education. He was re-elected in 1891, and chosen Speaker of the House. At the Democratic State Convention he was nominated for the second highest office in the gift of the people, and in November elected by a majority of more than forty thousand over his Republican opponent, and by a much larger majority over the others for the same place, after making a vigorous and successful campaign. He is yet a young man and has the promise to be of much usefulness to the State.

OCTAVIUS COKE,

Secretary of State.

This gentleman is a true North Carolinian, and his associations have been such as to render him well known; so in brief we give the following facts: He is now 52 years of age, was a valiant soldier in the Army of Northern Virginia, where he served his country for four years. He tells us that he is a lawyer by profession and a farmer by practice. He was elected to the State Senate from the First District, where he served in 1876–77, and in 1880 and 1882. Was Chairman of the State Democratic Committee. On the 4th of April, 1891, on the death of Colonel W. L. Saunders, was appointed by Governor Fowle as Secretary of the State, and on the 18th of May, 1892, was unanimously nominated as his own successor, and elected by forty thousand plurality.

SAMUEL McDOWELL TATE,

State Treasurer.

Born in Morganton, September 6, 1830. Educated at private schools in North Carolina and Pennsylvania. Appointed Captain of Company D, 6th Regiment, Regular Troops, May 20, 1861. Promoted Major at "Seven Pines," May, 1862. Promoted Lieutenant-Colonel at Gettysburg, July 2, 1863; commanded 6th Regiment to the close of the war. Wounded at Sharpsburg, September, 1862; at Rappahannock Bridge, November, 1863; at "Cedar Creek," October, 1864, and at Petersburg, March 25, 1865.

Elected President of the Western North Carolina Railroad June, 1865, and remained a director of the road for private stockholders till its sale. Was removed from its presidency by Provisional Governor Holden in August, 1865. Again elected President by Worth Board in August, 1866, and again removed by Holden's "Reconstruction" Board in 1868. After sale of road in 1875, was elected private stockholders' commissioner to organize the system and work the convict force on the road, as authorized by act of March, 1875, of which, as a member of that Legislature, he was the author. Was a member of the House from Burke three terms. Delegate to every Democratic National Convention from 1860, save and except the "Greeley" Convention.

During Cleveland's administration he was appointed National Bank Inspector, which position he held until November 19, 1892, when he was appointed by Governor Holt to succeed Donald W. Bain, as State Treasurer, which term expires at the next general election in November, 1894. Colonel Tate is a Democrat of the true Jeffersonian type, and an excellent financier.

ROBERT M. FURMAN,

State Auditor.

Was born in Louisburg, Franklin County, September 21, 1846, and educated at Academy in Louisburg and at Norfolk Military Academy. In 1861 entered army, served some months, until health gave way, and was discharged on account of ill health and youth, being the youngest in company. In 1864 re-enlisted in service, and surrendered under Gen. Joe Johnston at High Point. In 1864 was promoted to the position of Lieutenant, where he served until the close of the war. In 1866 entered journalism at Louisburg, 1867 removing to Henderson, now in Vance County. With the exception of a year or so, has been connected with journalism ever since, locating in Asheville in 1872. Was married in Tarboro, N. C., on 18th June, 1873, to Miss Mollie Mathewson of that town, by whom he has seven children, all living.

In 1876 he was elected Principal Clerk of the State Senate, which position he held until the session of 1893. He was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention in 1880 at Cincinnati, and was elected a delegate to the National Democratic Convention at Chicago in 1892, but having been nominated for the office of State Auditor by the State Democratic Convention in 1892, he declined to attend this convention in favor of the alternate. Entered upon the discharge of the duties of Auditor on January 18, 1893. He is not only a strong Democrat and has done great good for the party, but has done much to the upbuilding of Western North Carolina.

JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,

Superintendent Public Instruction.

The gentleman in question is by no means a stranger to the people of the State, having for two successive terms filled this same position. He was born in Wake County, September 22, 1841, and raised on a farm, with only limited school advantages — receiving the greater part of his education at Buffalo Academy. The war came on and he left school and enlisted in private ranks of "Raleigh Rifles," April 16, 1861, afterwards assigned to the 4th Regiment North Carolina Volunteers, and later to 14th Regiment North Carolina Troops; January 1, 1863, was transferred to Company I, 1st Regiment North Carolina Troops. He was in many important battles, and was severely wounded at Sharpsburg. After war entered Wake Forest College, and graduated in June, 1869, receiving the degree of A. B. The following fall he took a position as tutor for two years. In 1871 established an academy at Selma and successfully conducted it until 1876, when he was nominated for Superintendent of Public Instruction, to which position he was elected for

second term and held it for eight years. He married Miss Julia E. Moore, of Johnston County, June 12, 1876, and has one son and two daughters. In 1888 taught in Thomasville Female College, and on March 4, 1889, Governor Fowle appointed him Commissioner of Labor Statistics, which position he held until elected and placed in the position he now holds. Too much could not be said of a man who has so acceptably filled so many important positions in the State.

FRANCIS I. OSBORNE,

Attorney-General.

Was born in Charlotte, May 29, 1853, and was educated at Davidson College—graduating in June, 1872. The two years following he attended the University of Virginia, where he took an Academic course, and during the next two years studied law under Judge Pearson, at "Richmond Hill," in Yadkin County; admitted to the bar in the summer of 1875; located in Charlotte, where he has been ever since.

On the 13th of November, 1878, was married to Miss Mary, daughter of the late Thomas W. Dewey, of Raleigh, and has two sons. In May, 1879, was elected Mayor of the city of Charlotte, which position he held for one term, and in the fall of 1882 was elected Solicitor for the 6th Judicial District, to which place he was successively elected for ten years without opposition, until the fall of 1892, when he received the nomination by the State Democratic Convention for Attorney-General, over a half-dozen or more of the most prominent jurists in North Carolina. Mr. Osborne made a most vigorous campaign over the State, strengthening the party everywhere he spoke, and was elected by a plurality of about forty thousand votes, with the other State officers, and on the 18th of January, 1893, took the oath of office. Mr. Osborne has not only justly been the recipient of high compliments by the most prominent writers for his brilliant intellectual attainments and high moral character as a scholar and as a man, but as a jurist and political debater and orator he has few equals.

GEORGE TAYLOE WINSTON, LL.D.,

President of the State University.

George Tayloe Winston was born October 12, 1852, in Windsor, Bertie County, N. C. He is the son of Patrick H. Winston, a leading lawyer and planter in Eastern North Carolina during the last generation.

The Winstons came originally from England and settled in Virginia, but subsequently spread out into many other States. Accounts of the family are given in all the lives of Patrick Henry, the great Virginia orator, whose mother was a Winston.

President Winston's mother was Miss Martha Elizabeth Byrd, of Scotch-Irish family, and a relative of Colonel William Byrd, author of "Westover Manuscripts," and Governor of Virginia.

At the age of eleven, President Winston was sent to Horner School, and was prepared for the University by that master teacher, James H. Horner. He entered the University in 1866, under the administration of David L. Swain, and was the youngest man in college. His scholarship was of the first grade, and in Latin it was first in the class. The doors of the University were closed in 1868, and its students went to other States. Young Winston was appointed by President Andrew Johnson a midshipman in the United States Navy, and entered the Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1869 under the administration of Admiral D. D. Porter. While in the navy he made a trip to Europe, visiting France and England. During his stay at Annapolis he was the first scholar in his class, but being much subject to nausea, he resigned his commission as midshipman in 1870.

In 1871 he entered the Cornell University at Ithaca, N. Y., under the presidency of Andrew D. White, where he was graduated in 1874 with very high honor, having previously received the highest prize for Latin scholarship. He was now appointed instructor in Mathematics at Cornell, to supply the place of L. A. Wait, who was spending a year at Athens.

On the re-organization of the University of North Carolina, in 1875, he was elected Assistant Professor of Literature, taking charge of the departments of Latin and German. At the end of the year he was promoted to a full Professorship.

In 1884 Professor Winston visited Europe again to study Roman customs and antiquities, and spent several months in Italy and Germany. In 1885 the Latin department was enlarged and a new department of Modern Languages was created, when he ceased to give instruction in German and became Professor in Latin.

The scholarly attainments and extended reputation of Professor Winston have been noted by all the institutions of our State, and Davidson College has conferred upon him the degree of A. M., Trinity College that of LL. D., and the teachers of North Carolina have twice elected him President of their Assembly.

In 1891 he was unanimously elected President of the University of North Carolina. Into this position Doctor Winston brought a large acquaintance with the methods and systems of other institutions, both as student and instructor, and is progressive enough to accept what is good, yet he is thoroughly identified with North Carolina and the South by birth, by education and by sentiment.

Under his administration the number of students in the University has increased from 198 to 317 in one and a half years, and the University of North Carolina has gone to the first place among colleges in the Southern States.

SENATE.

First District, JOHN K. ABBOTT, South Mills.

Was born January 30, 1831, in Bladen County, where he has ince lived and engaged in farming. Was educated at Ran-lolph-Macon College in Virginia. He taught school for a ew years, and May 4, 1861, volunteered in Captain Martin's ompany; paralled in 1862, and in the same year joined 8th N. C. Regiment, Clingman's Brigade and Hoke's Division, vhere he served until the surrender of Johnston's army. Mar-ied to Miss E. Spence December, 1865, and has eight children. He was a justice of the peace under the Canby government, nd in 1876–'77 and again in 1885 represented his county in he House. In 1889 was elected to the Senate and again in 892, when a Democrat who could make a long and steady pull vas needed, he was nominated for the same place and was lected by a handsome majority. He is serving on several mportant committees and is a life-long Jeffersonian Democrat. His name is first on roll-call, and his vote is usually recorded n the side of right and is worthy of imitation. A farmer.

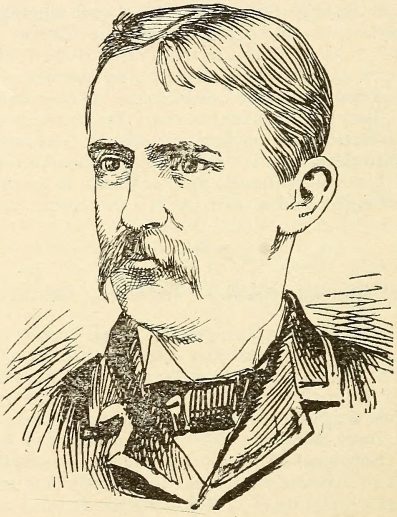
First District, JOHN J. GATLING, Gatlington.

Born in Gates County January 18, 1843, raised on farm and ttended Reynoldson Academy until eighteen years of age, vhen he enlisted in Gates' Guards, first company raised in his ounty and among the first from the State, and served in Com-pany B, Fifth Regiment North Carolina troops, under com-mand of Colonel McRea. May 12, 1862, was promoted to Regimental Sergeant-Major, and acted as secretary at the eadquarters of his Colonel. Early in 1863 was made Second ieutenant of Company G, Fifth Regiment, and again in 1864 promoted to acting Adjutant where he served until September 9th of the same year, when he was taken prisoner, in com-pany with 600 others, to Fort Delaware and kept for nine nonths. Took part in many of the heaviest battles during the var. Married Miss Emily G. Wiley November 20, 1870, and as three sons and one daughter. Was township clerk until 875, when he was nominated and elected without opposition o the House. For years has been a justice of the peace, ex-miner of teachers and public administrator for his county. Elected to the House again in 1876, '78, '81 and '83. In 1892 vas nominated by acclamation by the Democratic convention

and was elected by a majority of 497 votes over a People'
Party candidate endorsed by the Republicans. He has been
member of the Board of Education, president county Allianc
and delegate to State Alliance, serving on several committees
His repeated election by his own people is the best evidence o
his faithfulness to duty as an honored steward of the people.

Second District, CHARLES L. PETTIGREW, Plymouth.

Was born April 1, 1855, in Tyrrell County, at "Bonarba,"
place named after the richness of the soil, by Bishop Pettigrew
He is a son of Charles Pettigrew. His mother was a descend



ant of the first Huguenots that settled in this country, of whic
colony Jean Louis Gilbert was pastor, and his paternal grand
father was the first Episcopal Bishop elected in the North Car
olina diocese. He is also a nephew of Rev. Wm. S. and Gen
James J. Pettigrew, who are well know. He attended Horne
School up to the age of fifteen years, when he was called bac
to the old homestead to take charge of the farm. In the Fal
of 1885 he studied law, and in the Spring of 1886 he was admit
ted to the bar, and has since been praticing his profession wit
success, in Plymouth. For a number of years prior to his la
practice, he was Chairman of the Board of County Commis

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ioners. Without his knowledge or consent was nominated by ne Democratic Convention for the State Senate, in the Second District, which he accepted, and went into the campaign and nade a strong fight, and was elected by a majority of 470 otes over a fusion of Republicans and People Party The ext day after the election, and before the result was known, e left for Hillsboro, and on the 10th of November, 1892, was narried to Miss Lily, the accomplished daughter of P. B. Ruf-n, and granddaughter of the late Chief Justice Ruffin. Mr. Pettigrew is on the Judiciary, Banks and Currency, Education, nternal Improvements, Insurance, Fisheries and World's Fair Committees, and from the very conservative course pursued, he nakes a most excellent member. He was prominently men-ioned for Attorney General before the State Convention.

Second District, JAMES S. MARSH, Bath.

Was born in Beaufort County, August 16, 1854, raised on a arm, which has been his chosen occupation. Received only a mited education in the common schools of the community. Was married to Miss Augusta E., daughter of Richard Boyd. He died on May 1885, and he was again married to Miss Mar-ha, daughter of I. T. Bishop, November 22, 1888. The first fficial position held was Mayor of Bath from 1884 until he esigned to accept the Senatorship. Was County Commissioner 886 to 1888, when he was elected to the House by four hundred najority. In 1892 was nominated by the Democratic Conve-ion and elected by a majority of 1,100 votes, over a fusion etween Republicans and Thirdites, from the Second Senator-al District. Is serving on following committees: Agricultural oldiers' Home, Insane, and Banks and Currency. He is espec-ally noticeable for being at his post of duty, and votes right.

Third District, CLINGMAN W. MITCHELL, Aulander.

Born in Bertie County, August 16, 1860, and at the age of six ears moved across the line in Hertford County. His parents ied in his early youth. First attended school at Elm Grove .cademy, and at the age of eighteen years entered Wake For-st, where he went for three and a half years, but had to leave ve months before graduating. Married Miss Pauline A., aughter of W. W. Mitchell, and has one son and two daugh-ers living. In January, 1884, entered the mercantile busi-ess, in which he is still engaged together with farming, and as been very successful in both pursuits. His farming oper-tions are very extensive, usually making from fifty to one undred bales of cotton. He has taken active part in church ork, having been a Deacon of the Missionary Baptist Church

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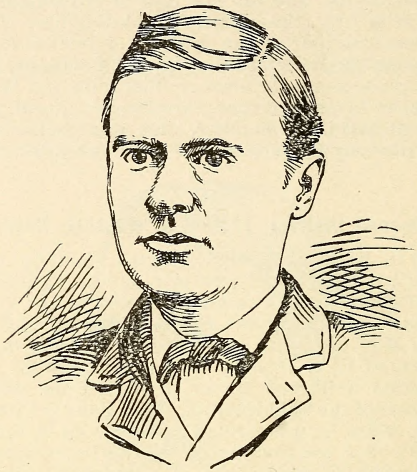
since before he was grown, and for many years Moderator o
Bertie Union Meeting and for many years Treasurer, but no
Vice-President West Chowan Association and member Boar
Trustees Murfreesboro Female Institute. Served as Justice o
the Peace four years and County Commissioner two years. I
fall, 1892, was nominated without opposition, and elected ove

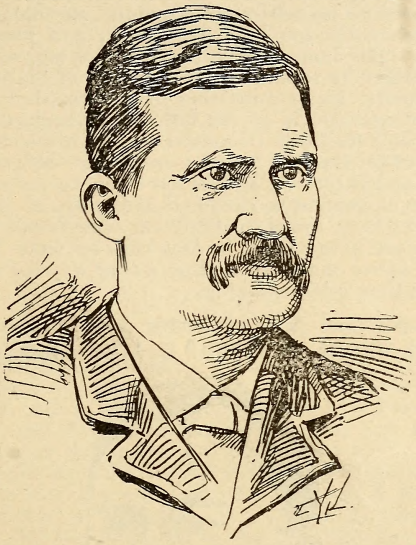


Republican and People's Party by fifty majority. Membe
committees: Education, Agriculture, Propositions and Grie
ances, Deaf, Dumb and Blind, Banks, &c., Enrolled bills an
State University.

Fourth District, WILLIAM A. DAY, Weldon.

Born in Halifax County, August 25, 1843, and was educate
at Bingham's School and the State University. He volunteere
and enlisted in Lee's army at the age of seventeen years, an
served in the private ranks until November, 1863, when he wa
promoted to Captain of his Company. In May, 1864, was cap
tured at Spottsylvania Court House and carried to Fort Dela
ware, and then, together with six hundred others, put in priso
at Morris Island, near Charleston, S. C., where he was held fo
forty days, and lived on ten ounces of corn-bread per day. Wa
released June 17, of same year. Read law in 1865 under Edwar
Covington, and was admitted to the bar in June, 1866, and ha
since been practicing his profession in his native county. Mar
ried Miss Mary Edwards, of Halifax, September 28, 1875. I

881, he, together with D. J. Savage (with Judge Whitaker in ıe Senate) was the first Democratic Representative ever elected ı Halifax. In the Fall of 1892 was elected over fusion between ıepublicans and People's Party by 1,746 majority. Is serving ın Committees: Judiciary, Penal Institutions, Propositions and



Grievances, Military, World's Fair, and Chairman Inaugura-ion. He is ever alert to every question brought up for discus-ion, and is sure to advocate what he thinks is right. He is a rominent lawyer, and attorney for the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad.

Fifth District, WILLIAM P. MERCER, Toisnot.

Born in the county of Edgecombe, and is about thirty years f age. He was raised on the farm and educated at Trinity ollege, graduating in the class of 1877, with degree of A. B. ı June, 1881, he delivered the annual address before the lumni Association of that college, at which time the Trustees f the Institution honored him with degree A. M. Attended ıedical department of University of Virginia in 1878, and ompleted his medical education the following year at the Uni-ersity in the City of New York. Since 1880 has been practic-ıg medicine and farming in a neighborhood known as "Town reek," about eight miles east of Toisnot. Married Miss Mary

S. Jones, of Warren County, November 24, 1880, and has three children. She is regarded as one of the prettiest and most intelligent ladies in the State. An accomplished womanly woman. The doctor never engaged actively in politics until the last campaign, and was nominated for the position he now holds without his knowledge or consent. He was elected by a majority of nearly 400 over Republican and People's Party candidates. His democracy came from his ancestry, and has grown stronger by receiving the sanction of his own reason and judgment. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of Trinity College, and is on the following Senate Committees: Railroads and Railroad Commission, Education, Penal Institutions, Public Health, Salaries and Fees, Military Affairs, Privileges and Elections, Engrossed Bills, Agriculture. He is leading the movement to establish a foundry at the Penitentiary or elsewhere, to manufacture car wheels and other castings, not made in this State, by *long-time* convicts. This would utilize our native material, and go a *long* way toward making the Penitentiary self-sustaining.

Sixth District, FERNANDO G. JAMES, Greenville.

Born in Hertford, Perquimans County, March 23, 1857. His parents moved to Gatesville while in infancy, and at the age of eleven years moved to Greenville Pitt County, where he

as since lived. Attended Greenville Academy for a few years, nd in 1875, at the time of its resuscitation, entered the State Iniversity and finished junior course second year. In the fall f 1877 attended Pearson's Law School, and after his death ame to Raleigh in the fall of 1878, and completed his studies nder Judge Strong, and admitted to the bar in February, 1879, nd purchased Governor Jarvis' library, and has soon obtained uch of his practice. Married Miss Mangie Cherry, of Green- ille, March 8, 1882, and has two sons and two daughters. Has een Mayor of his town since 1882 to the present, and his esignation was only accepted during his absence while here. Vas nominated in the fall of 1892 by the Democratic Conven- ion for the present position without having sought it, and was lected over his opponents by plurality of 153 votes. On several ommittees. To say that Mr. James merits the praise of his ellow Senators for his excellent qualities, is not extravagant anguage.

Seventh District, JACOB BATTLE, Rocky Mount.

Born in Edgecombe County, January 16, 1852. Prepared for ollege mainly at Belmont School. Attended State University 866 to 1868, taking first distinction along with President Geo. . Winston and Professors Ralph H. Graves and Richard H. ewis, and after the Institution went down under misrule of epublicanism, he went to the University of Virginia, remained rom 1868 to 1872, when he took the degree of A. M. Married Miss Iva Steele, of Yorkville, S. C., July 15, 1884. Studied aw and in 1876 was admitted to the bar, and has since been racticing with success at Rocky Mount, in Nash County. In he fall of 1892 was elected by the Democratic party by a najority of 650 votes. Chairman Educational Committee and nember Judiciary, Banks, &c., and Federal Relations. Mr. Battle takes a comprehensive view of all questions, and searches hem to the bottom.

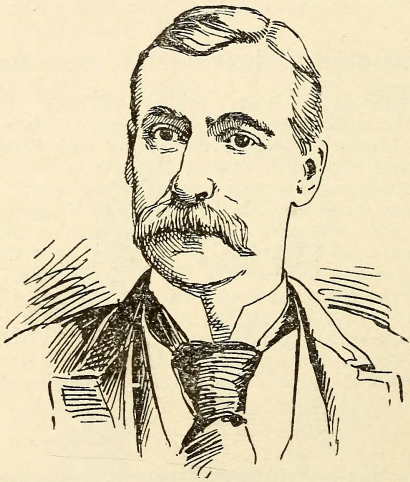
Seventh District, GEORGE W. NEWELL, Louisburg.

Born in Fayetteville August 10, 1841, and educated at Don- lson Academy and prepared for the ministry at the Baptist heological Seminary in Greenville, S. C. Spent a short hile merchandising and three years in colportage work in Vilmington. Married Miss Sarah, daughter of the late W. D. oppedge of Franklin county, in May, 1873, and has five sons. Ie then located at "Elm Lawn," five miles from Louisburg, here he is now engaged in farming, and for more than wenty years has served as pastor of several Primitive Baptist

churches. Has been connected with both the Grange and the Alliance, and has always endeavored to aid all agricultural interests. While vice-president of his county alliance he was no less a true Democrat, and it was upon these principles that he received such a large vote for the position he now occupies as State senator. He is no politician, but possesses a high christian character, and his actions are always conservative. He is serving on several committees, and ever keeps an eye single to the interest of the people.

Eighth District, LOUIS A. POTTER, Beaufort.

Born in Beaufort, county of Carteret, N. C., December 22, 1844, and was reared in that quiet, peaceful "village by the sea." He received an academical education, but was pre-



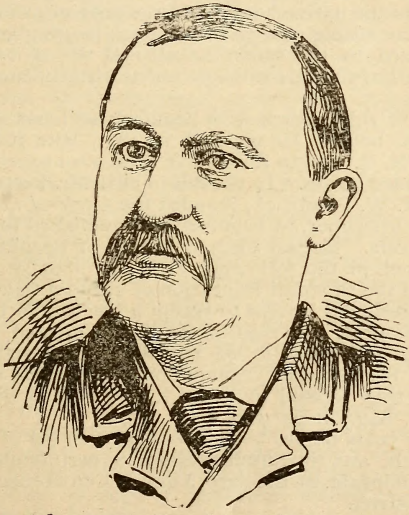
vented from completing a course of study which had been marked out, by the breaking out of the civil war. The section of country in which he resided being captured by the Federals in 1862, Mr. Potter, then a boy, was separated from most of his friends and acquaintances and was thrown on his own resources. He was employed as clerk and salesman up to the surrender at Appomattox, and was enabled by means of blockade runners to supply many a poor Confederate with necessary articles of clothing and medicine unattainable in the Confederacy. In 1866 he went to Mississippi, and the nex

Eighth District, GEORGE F. PARROTT, Kinston.

Born in Lenoir County in 1858, and a son of James M. Parrott. Was raised on a farm, and received a limited education at Panbrook Hill. Married to Miss Julia F. Bizzell in 1881, and has two sons and two daughters. Has lived a quiet life on the farm and never held any position until nominated by the Democratic Convention in fall of 1892 for the Senate, and was elected over prominent People's Party candidates by 1,000 votes. Though inexperienced in legislative matters, he is serving on a number of important committees and is making a good record.

Ninth District, BENJAMIN F. AYCOCK, Fremont.

Born in Wayne County, February 11, 1853, and is a son of Benjamin Aycock, who represented his county in the Senate during the war, and for many years was also Superior Court



ourt Clerk, and was considered one of the most accurate busi-
ess men in the county. He is a brother of Charles B. Aycock,
ho was an Elector-at-Large for Grover Cleveland in 1892.
is education was mainly received in the neighborhood
hools, but went one year to Mahunta. Farmed to the year
81, when he, in the firm of Aycock Bros. & Co., entered the
ercantile business at Fremont, where they are enjoying a
lendid trade. Still engaged in farming also. Married Miss
llie, daughter of J. B. Farmer, of Wilson, March 9, 1879, and

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year migrated to Kansas. His political career began in 1868, when, in a State which gave 60,000 Republican majority and in a county largely Republican, he accepted the nomination of the Democratic party for Superintendent of Public Instruction, made a vigorous canvass, and although defeated by a small majority he became identified with the politics of the State, and during a residence of twelve years, with the almost certainty of defeat before him, he led the forlorn hope of the Democracy, keeping up the organization and bearing the banner through successive campaigns until the election of John Martin for Governor placed Kansas in the list of doubtful States. During the famine in 1875 he left Kansas and located in Carroll City, Iowa, and in the famous campaign of 1876 Mr. Potter was President of the Tilden Club in Carroll County, and his labors were incessant and resulted in a Democratic victory in a county which had been strongly Republican. In 1878, attracted by his landed interests, he returned to Kansas, where he remained until the spring of 1881. The true "tarheel" never forgets his native heath, and the subject of this sketch, with each succeeding change of location, longingly turned his eyes backward to the sunny South and the spot where the balmy breezes of the Atlantic were laden with the aroma of the pine.

In April, 1881, he returned to Beaufort, and has since made that place his home. He married, in 1871, Miss Ella R. Fish of Phœnix, N. Y., and to them have been born seven children, six of whom are living. In the fall of 1881 Mr. Potter, in company with R. W. Chadwick, founded the *Carteret County Telephone*, a weekly paper, in Beaufort, and published the same for about five years. He was elected Mayor of Beaufort in 1882, and re-elected in the following year. In 1884 he was made Chairman of the Board of Education of Carteret County, which position he resigned in 1885 to accept a position in the Custom House at Beaufort. In 1890 he was again elected Mayor, re-elected in '91 and again in '92, and when his resignation was tendered to the Board of Commissioners after his election to the Senate, they refused to accept it and elected his brother, J. H. Potter, Esq., mayor *pro tem.*

For many years he has been an official member of the Methodist Church, and is Sunday-school Superintendent. Also was a lay delegate to the last Annual Conference from the Newbern District.

He is a member of the Committees on Internal Improvements, Penal Institutions and Insane Asylums, and is Chairman of the Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

Mr. Potter is a scholarly gentleman and an able representative.

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has five children. In 1886 was nominated by the county Democracy for Sheriff, and came within 200 votes of election, while the county is Republican by 500. Was elected and served in the Senate 1889-'91, and again in 1893, each time by a handsome majority. Serving on many important committees. He is an able Representative and a first-class business gentleman, and is especially watchful against extravagant appropriations.

Ninth District, THOMAS J. ARMSTRONG, Rocky Point.

Born January 12, 1857, in Pender County, and raised on farm, and farming has been his chosen occupation. Was educated at Trinity College. Married Miss Ella P. Berry, of Wilmington, February 5, 1873, who died in June, 1874. Married again September 1, 1878, to Miss Annie E. Durham, of Rocky Point, and has one son. Has been a magistrate, member Executive Committee Congressional District, and on Board of Education. In 1879 was in the House, and again in 1880, in extra session, the first Democrat ever represented his county. Was nominated for the Senate in 1890, but defeated, and again in 1892 was nominated by acclamation, and was elected by a handsome majority. On Committees: Agriculture, Propositions and Grievances, Penal Institutions, Fish and Insane.

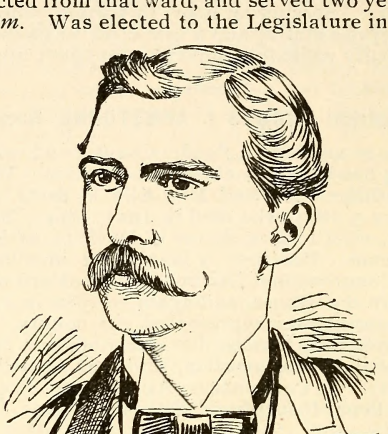
Eleventh District, JOHN P. LEACH, Littleton.

Born in Johnston County, January 17, 1846. Moved to Pittsboro, where he was mainly educated. At the age of 17, in January, 1863, volunteered and enlisted in 53rd Regiment North Carolina Troops, Grimes' Brigade, and served in private ranks in Northern army of Virginia until surrender at Appomattox, 1865. Was in business in the firm of Leach Bros., Raleigh, until 1873. Married Miss Ellen D. Moore of Raleigh, and has five children. Farmed in Halifax until 1879, when he moved to Littleton, where he is merchandising and farming. For many years has been a Justice of the Peace and chairman of the Criminal Court of Warren. Also County Commissioner. Was nominated by acclamation, made a lively campaign and was elected to the Senate by a small majority over two opponents. Serving on several important committees, and is a champion for good roads.

Tenth District, GEORGE L. MORTON, Wilmington.

Born in Onslow County, December 10, 1866, and while in infancy his parents moved to Wilmington. Educated at Bingham's and at St. James Academy, in Maryland. Early in life he entered the firm of Morton & Hall, dealers in naval stores, manufacturing turpentine, rosin, oil and paints for two years, when he became sole owner, and in the Summer of 1892 con-

solidated his business with the Tide-Water Oil Co. This com
pany now has a capital stock of $14,000,000, and Mr. Morton
is business manager. At the age of twenty-one years was
elected City Alderman from First Ward, being the first Demo
crat ever elected from that ward, and served two years, and was
Mayor *pro tem.* Was elected to the Legislature in 1891, carry

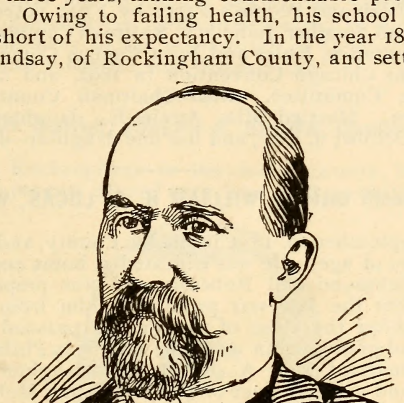


ing his ward for the entire Democratic ticket, which elected
entire county ticket for the first time in twenty-five years. For
the present position he was elected by a unanimous vote. His
extensive business connections enable him to render valuable
aid for progressive legislation. On Committees: Chairman
Internal Improvements, Railroad Commission, Corporations,
Fish, Health, Military and University.

Twelfth District, HENRY C. OLIVE, Apex.

Born in Wake in the year 1847, and is now 45 years of age.
Son of Rev. Johnson Olive, a well and favorably known Bap-
tist minister of the county. Mr. Olive had such advantages in
early life as are commonly accorded to country boys, the war
for Southern Independence having deferred his more advanced
education, which he had always determined upon. He enlisted
in the service of his State during the closing year of the strug-
gle, and served until the contest was ended in Freeman's bat-
talion, composed mainly of youths, but afterwards attached to
68th North Carolina Regiment, commanded by Colonel Jordan
and served only in the State. He, with five others of his com-

iand, formerly numbering one thousand, were the last to leave he field of service. Mr. Olive reached home, after the entire urrender of the Confederate forces, in time to witness the reat devastation made by the Union forces passing through Vake, and remaining some days. In 1865–'66 he labored hard n the farm, saving what he could to obtain an education, and y strict economy and the assistance of his father had saved few hundred dollars, and in January, 1867, entered the rimary department at Wake Forest College, where he spent ıost of the three years, making commendable proficiency in is studies. Owing to failing health, his school days were erminated short of his expectancy. In the year 1870 he mar-ied Miss Lindsay, of Rockingham County, and settled in the



illage of Apex, Wake County, early in the year 1871, where e has since resided, and engaged in farming, merchandis-ıg, manufacturing and milling. Nominated for the House ı 1876 and 1878, and was only defeated by fifty votes the first ime and twenty the second. Has been a member of the County Board of Education in his county since 1885, and was ts chairman when elected to the Senate. He is not an office-eeker, and was nominated by acclamation and against his wish n the campaign of 1892. He entered this contest with much arnestness for Democracy, and won for himself the ap-lause of his friends and the respect of his opponents by the uccessful contest waged against such great odds. No better Representative is on the floor. His acts are cautious and generally right, both on committees and in the sessions.

Thirteenth District, JAMES H. POU, Smithfield.

Born in Macon County, Ala., July 21, 1860, and his parent moved to Johnston County, this State, while at the age of si years. Principally educated at home. Studied law under hi father. Was admitted to the bar in the fall of 1885, and ha since practiced in Smithfield. Was nominated and elected b county Democracy in 1884 for the House, and in 1886 and 188 was in the Senate. Nominated in 1890, but declined to accept Again nominated by acclamation, 1892, and elected over fusio of Republican and People's Party by 1,640 votes. Chairma Finance and member Judiciary, Railroad Commission, Educa tional, Insurance, Rules and Joint Caucus Committees. Wa delegate to Chicago Convention in 1892, and member Stat Executive Committee. Also Chairman County Executiv Committee. Married Miss Annie E., daughter of Samue Walker, October 9, 1887, and has one daughter—Edith.

Fourteenth District, WILLIAM H. G. LUCAS, White Hall.

Born September 19, 1844, in Bladen County, and is now forty eight years of age. He was educated at home and in the coun ties of Richmond and Robeson, and was prepared to ente college, but the late war prohibited him from a collegiat course. After the close of the war he pursued his medica studies and graduated in medicine in 1869 in Philadelphia. I 1870 he married Miss A. E. McKay, daughter of John A McKay, and a grand niece of General James McKay. He ha lived in Bladen County all his life, where he practices medicin and farms. Was elected a member of the Board of Educatio when it was first established and made chairman of the Board which position he held until he was selected by the Board o Commissioners as County Treasurer to fill the unexpired tern of the defaulting Treasurer. He was nominated and elected t the present Senate as a straight-out Democrat. He has always been a Democrat, and has wielded a considerable influence i his county for the success of his party. He is now serving o the Finance Committee, Propositions and Grievances, Public Roads, Asylums and Public Health, of which he is chairman Has been a member of the M. E. Church, South, for severa years, and takes great interest in promoting the welfare of his church and Sunday-school. He is a man of decision and much moral courage, and is a recognized leader in his com munity in church and State affairs.

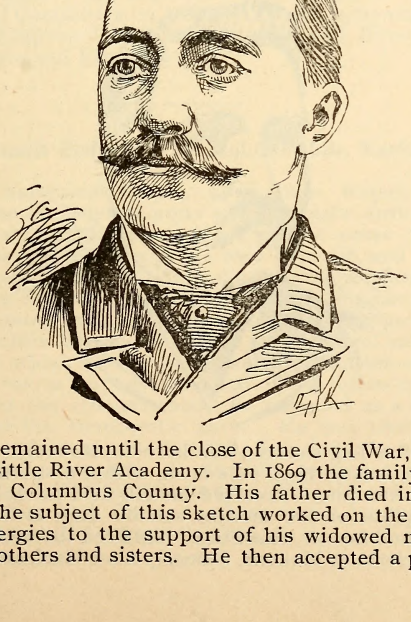
Fourteenth District, FLEET R. COOPER, Clinton.

Born in Sampson County in 1852. Attended various public schools in the county until the war. In 1876 attended Salem

cademy in Sampson County, and in 1877 went to Wake Forest ollege and graduated there in June, 1878. Taught school in ıe Warsaw High School from 1879 to 1883, and in the Clinton emale Seminary from fall of 1883 to Spring of 1884. At the ge of twenty-six was elected County Surveyor, but would not ccept the office. Obtained license to practice law in 1880. dited *The Caucasian* in Clinton from 1884 to 1888. Began the ractice of law in Clinton in 1888. Unmarried, but still hope- ıl. In the fall of 1892 was nominated by the Democratic Con- ention, and after heated contest against the People's Party, ded by the Republicans, carried the district by a majority of ı votes. Member of the committees of Judiciary, Corpor- ions, Fish and Fisheries, and Magistrates.

Fifteenth District, JOSEPH A. BROWN, Chadbourn.

Born near Rockingham, in Richmond County, N. C., July 1861. His parents moved with him to Fayettville in 1863,



d there remained until the close of the Civil War, when they oved to Little River Academy. In 1869 the family moved to hiteville, Columbus County. His father died in 1870, and til 1881 the subject of this sketch worked on the farm, ply- g his energies to the support of his widowed mother and unger brothers and sisters. He then accepted a position as

clerk in the large mercantile business of Powell & Co., i Whiteville, and in 1882 he began the mercantile business o his own account at Chadbourn, and so continued till 189 when he took the management of the Island Beach Hotel a Wrightsville. After the season was over he returned to Chad bourn to engage in the saw-milling and railroad contractin business, in which business he is at present engaged. His edu cational advantages were limited, but by his own efforts, wit the assistance of mother and sisters, he has acquired consider able knowledge. He was always a staunch Democrat, an took an active part in public affairs. In September, 1892, h was selected as the Democratic candidate for the Senate, an after a hard fight was elected over his opponent, a fusion can didate, by nearly 700 votes. He is one of the youngest men bers of the present Senate, and is on some important commit tees, to-wit : Chairman Committee on Claims, and on Corpora tions, Finance, Penal Institutions and Internal Improvements

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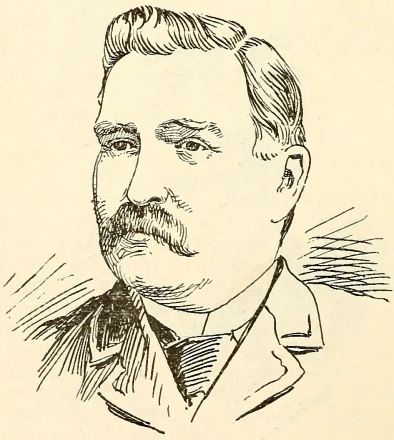
Fifteenth District, ELIJAH F. McRAE, Maxton.

Is the youngest son of Colonel Murdock McRae, who for sev eral sessions represented his native county, Robeson, in bot



houses of the Legislature; was born in Robeson County, o 11th day February, 1854, on a farm, within a short distance South Carolina line. Received an old-field school educatio with exception of five months session each at high schoo in Shelby and Lenoir, this State. Entered the mercantile bu iness as a clerk, at Maxton, formerly Shoe Heel, and continue

that business several years as clerk and of the mercantile siness. Is at present farming and conducting an insurance his native county. For three terms was Mayor of the town Shoe Heel. In the year 1888 was elected County Commis-ner, and was Chairman of the Board until it became neces-y to resign to fill his present position. He has for four years en Chairman County Democratic Executive Committee, ich place he still occupies. September, 1892, he was selected represent the 15th Senatorial District by the Democratic rty, to which party he has always belonged, and which prin-les he has always advocated, and, after a heated campaign, ainst a fusion of Republicans and People's Party, was elected a majority of 632 votes. When the Maxton Guards was ganized he was elected Captain, in which position he con-ued until elected Major of the Second Regiment North Caro-a State Guard, and afterward elected Lieutenant-Colonel of e same Regiment. In the latter position he served two terms d declined re-election to a third. Was at one time editor of e *Maxton Union*, a Democratic newspaper, that was often oted from by the press. He has been for several years an ler in the Presbyterian Church, which is the church of his cestors on both sides, his mother being a daughter of Dr. lward McKay, of the old Scotch town of Fayetteville. Is at esent on some of the important Committees of the Senate; airman of Committee on Military Affairs, is member of Com-ttee on Engrossed Bills, Deaf, Dumb and Blind Asylums, d Privileges and Elections.

Sixteenth District, J. W. McLAUCHLIN, Raeford.

Born in Cumberland County, April, 1846. Raised on a farm. rved in the Confederate army as a volunteer during the last rteen months of the war. Spent several years in different gh schools after the war at his own expense, and graduated m Davidson College in 1874. Engaged in teaching in North rolina and South Carolina for three or four years, and after-rds in farming and merchandising up to the present time. r. McLauchlin has never sought public office, and accepted e position which he now holds, not as a matter of personal eference, but in response to a call of his fellow-countymen, ich, under the circumstances, he regarded as a duty to his untry and the Democratic party. He was elected over a ion of Republicans and Populists by a majority of 469 votes er a heated campaign. During the present session he is ving on the following Committees: Propositions and Griev-ces, Banking and Currency, Insurance, Agriculture, and kes a very worthy representative.

Seventeenth District, WILLIAM MERRITT, Bethel Hill.

Born in Halifax County, Virginia, about sixty-five years ago and his earliest training was received in the State of his birth but after coming to North Carolina went to school at Milton Graduated in medicine from the University of Virginia, May 20 1850, and at once located in Person County, where he has since been practicing and farming. He also took special course at Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, besides private instruction from others, on special lines. Dr. Merritt has been twice married, first to Miss Long, of Person, and second to Miss Hamet, of Granville, and has ten children. Was a member of the Canby State Constitutional Convention, being one of the five Democrats there. Has been President of the County Medical Society for many years. Was a member of both the Grange and the Alliance, and frequently represented his county at the State meetings. Has always voted Democratic ticket until elected by the People's Party for the position he now holds. On Committees of Finance, Health, Asylums, and Soldiers' Home.

Eighteenth District, THOMAS M. CHEEK, Mebane.

Born in Orange County, July 17, 1839. Educated in the common schools of his county. At the age of eleven years went into tailoring business, where he remained as an apprentice for six years, when he was turned out penniless on his own resources, but with characteristic pluck and energy he soon worked his way to the front ranks in his profession, and was held in high esteem by all who knew him. Married Miss Elizabeth Phillips, of Charlotte, August 13, 1863, and has five sons and three daughters—a most interesting family. Volunteered and enlisted in the army, but was released from duty. Mr. Cheek represented his county in the Legislature in 1889, and in the fall of 1892 was nominated by the Democratic Convention for the Senate by acclamation, and was elected over three opposing parties—Republican, People's Party and Prohibitionists. Chairman of Committee on Roads and Turnpikes, also member of Educational, Deaf, Dumb and Blind, Internal Improvements, and Pensions. Is an Elder in Presbyterian Church.

Eighteenth District, JAMES A. BURCH, Burlington.

Born in Person County, August 24, 1829, and was educated at the common schools of the neighborhood. Was raised on the farm and has followed that calling ever since. He joined the Baptist Church in 1857, and has since 1870 been an Elder in

at church. Married Miss Margaret, daughter of William nes, of Person County, December 17, 1851. March 4, 1862, volunteered and enlisted in the Confederate army. Went o the field as First Lieutenant, and within a few months was omoted to Captain of Company A, 50th Regiment North rolina Troops, where he served until the close of the war. turned home April 26, 1865. For a number of years has en a citizen of Alamance County, and but little attention s been given to public affairs. Was nominated during his sence in the fall of 1892 for the State Senate, which position accepted for the sake of Democracy, and was elected by a jority of 1,147 votes. On Committees of Propositions d Grievances, Finance, Engrossed Bills, and Buildings and ounds.

Nineteenth District, JOHN W. ATWATER, Rialto.

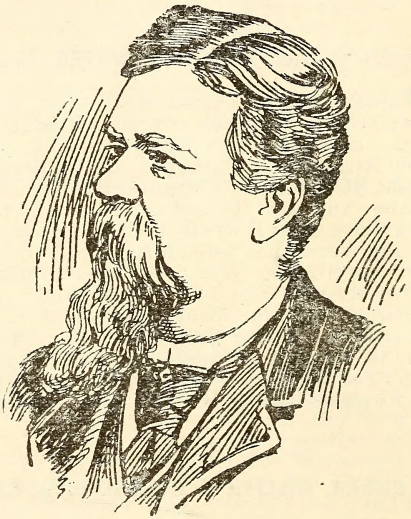
Born in Chatham County, December 27, 1840. Raised on a m, and received the first of his education from Dr. Closs and W. Hughes. Enlisted in Company D, 1st N. C. Volunteers. as sent from Richmond to Yorktown, and participated in the Bethel fight, June 10, 1861. Remained in the service until e's surrender, and near Petersburg received one wound. rried three times, Miss Eugenia Farrington, April 27, 1861, o lived twenty years; her sister, Miss Alice Farrington, Jan- y 18, 1881, who lived six years; and Miss Sophronia Bald- n, November 22, 1889, and has five children. Steward in thodist Church. Was President County Alliance two years, d delegate to State meeting three times. Elected to Senate a Democrat in 1890 by 1,700 majority, and in 1892 as a Peo- 's Party by 700 majority. Serving on Committees Penal titutions, Roads and Turnpikes, and Salaries and Fees.

Twentieth District, WILLIAM H. SCHOOLFIELD, Reidsville.

Born in Henry County, Va., April 5, 1848, and only received ited school advantages, but in 1865–'66 attended one session Randolph-Macon College. Up to 1872 he was deputy sheriff d sold tobacco, when he moved to Reidsville. He married ss Palmer, of Rockingham County, in 1872, and has since n engaged in farming. Has been a prominent and official mber of the Alliance since its organization. Was a delegate he first People's Party conventions in State and District, county. He was nominated by acclamation for State Sen- and was elected. Until 1885 had been a strong Democrat, was dissatisfied with Cleveland's administration in not abol- ng the internal revenue law.

Twenty-first District, JOHN L. KING, Greensboro.

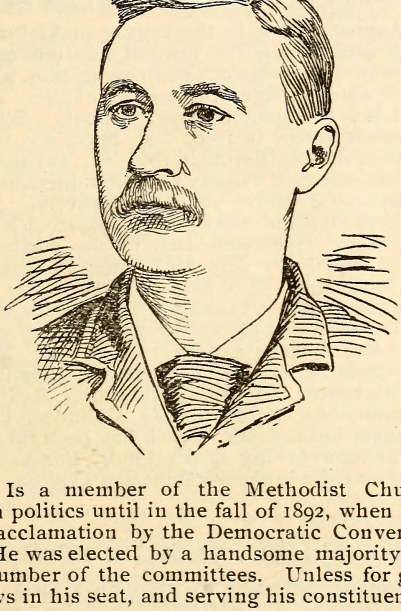
Born November 4, 1847, at Oak Ridge, in Guilford County and was educated at New Garden School. He entered the manufacturing of tobacco early in life, which business he is still engaged. Married Miss Ruth A., daughter of Jessie Benbow, of Greensboro, in 1876, and has one son who is a page in the present General Assembly. Mrs. King died June 4, 1892. Was first elected to the House by his county Democracy in 1883, and has since been elected three terms to the Senate—in 1885, '91 and '93. At each succeeding session he more and more won the esteem of his co-laborers, and his course has proven very satisfactory. It being necessary to elect a presid-



ing officer of the present State Senate, Mr. King's general popularity and superior qualifications made him the choice for this important position. He was not only President of the Senate and served admirably in that capacity for two weeks, but also held the position as Lieutenant Governor of the State until the inauguration, January 18. Mr. King is Chairman of the Committee on Printing and member of several others. His long experience has enabled him to know when and how to act on important questions.

Twenty-second District, LOUIS C. PHILLIPS, Eden,

Was born and raised in Randolph County, and is thirty years of age. Was educated at Trinity College, and has since been engaged in agriculture, giving his entire time and energies to a vocation in which he is much interested. He married Miss M. L. Fuller, of Randolph County, in 1884, and has three



children. Is a member of the Methodist Church. Never engaged in politics until in the fall of 1892, when he was nominated by acclamation by the Democratic Convention for the Senate. He was elected by a handsome majority, and is serving on a number of the committees. Unless for good excuse, he is always in his seat, and serving his constituents well.

Twenty-third District, ROBERT E. LITTLE, Wadesboro.

Born in Anson County November 21, 1852. Educated at Davidson College, graduating in class of 1873. Began the study of law under Ashe & Bennett and Chief Justice Pearson, and completed at Columbia Law School, in New York City; received license in June, 1879, and began practice at Wadesboro in 1880. For several years County Attorney. Elected to State Senate in 1889 by 2,500 majority. In the fall of 1892 was nominated by acclamation for same place and elected by 2,100 over

People's Party and Republicans. Married Miss Mary A., daughter of Judge R. T. Bennett, May 17, 1892. Mr. Little is an uncompromising Democrat, and a good Representative. His speeches are not only full of meaning, but profusely interspersed with witticisms. He is on committees on Railroads and Railroad Commission (chairman), Judiciary, Internal Improvements, Agriculture, Corporations, and Joint Caucus.

Twenty-third District, PETER McRAE, Laurinburg.

Was born August 9, 1829, in the county of Richmond, four miles south of what is now the town of Laurinburg. Father died when he was nine years of age, leaving him, his mother and a younger sister to fight the battles of life. Education limited; attended the neighborhood schools. Was elected chairman of county court in 1866, 1867, 1868; was member of the lower house of the Legislature in 1866-'67; was again elected Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners in 1878, and held that position for twelve years successively. A planter, but now lives in the town of Laurinburg. Married Miss Jennie Patterson, April 22, 1858, who died in the spring of 1869. Married again, Miss Mary Ann McKinnon, in October, 1870, who died in June, 1889. Has five children—three boys and two girls. Nominated by acclamation by the Democratic Convention in fall of 1892, and elected by a majority of 2,184 votes over fusion of Republicans and People's Party. Member of Committees on Salaries and Fees (chairman), Finance, Propositions and Grievances, Claims, Agriculture, Railroads and Railroad Commissions, Public Roads, Counties, Cities and Towns. His most enthusiastic speech has been for the establishment of the new county of Scotland. For twenty-eight years has been an elder in the Presbyterian Church.

Twenty-fourth District, WILLIAM GASTON MEANS, Concord.

Born in Cabarrus, February 23, 1850, on a farm; prepared for college at Horner's School, Oxford, and for two terms at the University of Virginia. Studied law under Judge Pearson and was granted license in 1871 to practice law. Opened law office in Memphis, Tenn., in same year, but on account of ill health, went to the county seat of Tate County, Miss., where he was attorney for the county. Married Miss Corallie Bullock, of Memphis, December 16, 1874; immediately afterwards he returned to Concord and resumed the practice of law, in which business he is still engaged. He has been elected Mayor of Concord twelve successive years, which position he resigned to accept the seat he now holds in the State Senate. In 1890 he refused the endorsement for Judge in the Eighth Judicial

District. Was nominated by acclamation (unsought) and was elected by a majority of 1,300 against a fusion of Republicans and People's Party in the Twenty-fourth Senatorial District. Chairman of Committee on Banks and Currency, and member of Committees on Judiciary, Internal Improvements, Insane Asylums, Railroads and Railroad Commission, and there are few, if any, better Representatives than Mr. Means in the present General Assembly.

Twenty-fifth District, FRANKLIN B. McDOWELL, Charlotte.

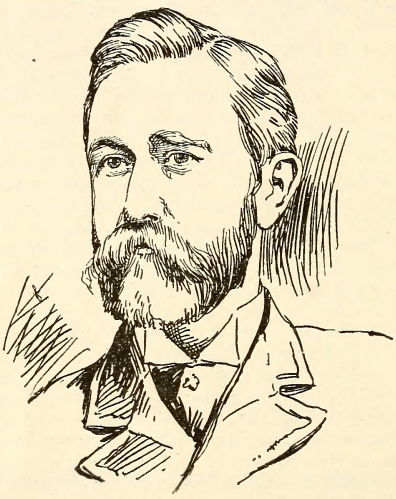
Born in Iredell County, December 31, 1849. His father was Robert Irwin McDowell, grandson of General Robert Irwin of Revolutionary fame, and his mother was Rebecca Brevard, grandneice of Dr. Ephraim Brevard, author of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. The education of the subject of this sketch was commenced at the ordinary "old-field" schools of the day, and continued at the Finley High School, of Lenoir. During the war he was in the preparatory department at Davidson College. He graduated at that institution in 1869 at the age of nineteen. The speeches of his junior year and of his graduation created great merriment among his fellow-students and among the auditors. On leaving college, he spent two years at the University of Virginia, and returning to his native State he obtained license to practice law, and located for a year or more at Statesville. He was chosen Greeley Elector, though lacking a few months of being twenty-one years of age. He canvassed what was then the Seventh Congressional District jointly with Dr. J. G. Ramsay, the Grant Elector, and one of the ablest debaters of his party. In the autumn of 1872 he moved to Charlotte, and was editor for several years respectively of *The Daily Observer* and of the *Southern Home*. After making an extensive tour through Europe, he engaged in commercial and business pursuits. After serving two years as Alderman, was elected Mayor of Charlotte by a large vote, and was reëlected without opposition. His administration was characterized by bold reforms and by unprecedented improvements. He is largely interested in manufacturing enterprises, as well as farming interests. In 1884 he married Miss May Flora King, daughter of the late Hon. W. W. King, an eminent lawyer of New Orleans, and a sister of Miss Grace King, a Southern authoress, and of Judge Fred. D. King, of the Civil District Court of Louisiana. Mr. McDowell's family consisted of Cadet William H. McDowell, who was killed at the age of eighteen at the battle of New Market, Virginia, and of three sisters—Maggie, wife of Baron H. Von Moltzolm, now residing in New York; Emma, married to J. L. Chambers, deceased, and Rena, wife of Dr. E. W. Roach, now of Charlotte, N. C.

He was nominated for State Senator by the Democratic party and was elected by a majority of 1,700 votes over his opponent,

Capt. Thomas L. Vail, the Third Party and Prohibition candidate. Mr. McDowell made an aggressive and active campaign. He was fair in debate, but merciless in sarcasm and in ridicule of all vulnerable positions assumed by his opponents. He is chairman of the Finance Committee, and looks well to the interest of the State's money.

Twenty-sixth District, ERASTUS B. JONES, Winston.

Born in Forsyth County, near Bethania, in 1853. Worked on farm until twenty years of age. Graduated June, 1887, at Wake Forest College. Read law under Judge Wilson, of Wins-

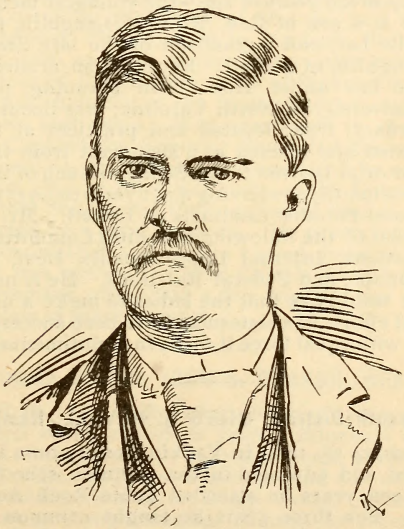


ton, one year, then at Dick & Dillard's law school, Greensboro. Commenced the practice of law at Taylorsville, Alexander County, September, 1880. Was chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee in that county for a number of years. Elected to the Lower House of the Legislature from Alexander County in 1884, by a majority of 280, over an independent, W. L. Alspaugh, a wealthy and influential citizen. Was married to Miss Ida M., daughter of R. P. Matheson, of Taylorsville, May, 1886, and she died August, 1887. In April, 1890, he returned to his native county (Forsyth), and formed a partnership in Winston with P. B. Kerner, present Mayor of Winston, and they now have a good law practice. In 1892 was nominated for the Senate in the 26th, a new district, composed of the counties of Forsyth, Rowan and Davidson. Was elected by a

majority of 925 over V. A. Wilson, a People's Party candidate, endorsed by the Republicans. His majority in Forsyth, heretofore a Republican county, was 496 votes. He is chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, and a member of the Committees on Claims, Federal Relations, Banks and Currency, and Privileges and Elections. Mr. Jones has gained reputation as a first-class jurist, and is second to but few in the State in his profession. As a statesman, he is a strong advocate of measures which he believes to be right, and his record here has generally proven that way, especially in opposition to extravagant appropriations, and a large majority are on that side. He has a bright future before him as a jurist and statesman.

Twenty-sixth District, WILLIAM S. OWEN, Yadkin College,

Senator from the Twenty-sixth District, is thirty-six years old; born November 27, 1856, on a farm on the Yadkin river, near



the country town of Yadkin College, in the western part of Davidson County. Obtained education at the college in his native village, completing the course in 1880, and has engaged in the saw-mill and lumber business and farming all of his life except the time that he was in school and reading law. Studied law under the firm of Dick & Dillard, at Greensboro, and

obtained license in 1882, but has never practiced. Was mayor of his native town four years, and town commissioner eight years. Was nominated by his county Democracy for the State Senate in the fall of 1888, but the county went Republican. Married, in 1885, Miss Minnie H. Rogers, daughter of Rev. W. A. Rogers, of Georgia. Wife died in 1891, leaving one child, a boy, who is now four years old. Is a grandson of Henry Walser, of Davidson County, who represented his county in the State Legislature three times before the war. Mr. Owen was nominated again in 1892, and elected by 925 majority, and is now a member of the Committees on the Judiciary, on Propositions and Grievances, on Engrossed Bills, on Salaries and Fees, and on Military and State Guard. Member of the Methodist Protestant Church.

Twenty-seventh District, RICHARD B. McLAUGHLIN, Statesville,

Is a native of Statesville, Iredell County; born March 1, 1865, and is twenty-seven years of age—the youngest member in the Senate. He is a son of Gen. R. A. McLaughlin, formerly of the Statesville bar, and a grandson of the late State Senator J. H. McLaughlin, of Iredell. Received an academic education; studied law under Hon. John Manning, professor of law at the University of North Carolina; was licensed to practice in February, 1889; located and practices at Statesville. Was nominated and elected as a Democrat from the twenty-seventh Senatorial District to the Senate branch of the General Assembly, session 1893, receiving 4,041 votes to 3,933 for Sharpe, Republican and Populist candidate of Iredell. Mr. McLaughlin is a member of the following Standing Committees: Judiciary, Corporations, Internal Improvements, Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institutions, and Federal Relations. He is not married, therefore we would ask that the ladies to make a note of this fact. His first efforts as a statesman have been successful, which might apply with equal force if made in a sentimental direction.

Twenty-seventh District, MILES A. ROYALL, Hamptonville.

Born December 28, 1861, in Yadkin County on a farm where he was raised and educated in the common schools. At the age of nineteen years he attended Table Rock Academy for one session. For three years he taught common schools of his county. In the fall of 1882 he went to the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Baltimore, where he attended three courses, including a post-graduate course. Since 1883 has been practicing his profession with success in Hamptonville. Was married June 10, 1881, to Miss Rachel M., daughter of William Reynolds of Yadkin County. His career has been

given exclusively to his profession; he has repeatedly been urged for positions of honor and trust, but not until the fall of 1892, when his friends urged his claims for the State Senate under peculiar and trying circumstances, did he ever agree to accept. On September 6 he was nominated by acclamation, and without opposition, by the Democratic party, and was elected by a majority of 220 over a fusion of Republicans and Third Partyites. He is serving on the following committees: Internal Improvements, Banking and Currency, Public Health, Insane Asylums, Justices of the Peace, Counties, Cities and Towns.

Twenty-eighth District, AMOS M. STACK, Danbury.

Mr. Stack was born in Union County, February 12, 1863, and received a primary education at Monroe High School, and graduated at Trinity College in 1884, with high honors, standing second in point of scholarship in a class of eleven, and winning the salutatory address at the commencement. He read law under Covington & Adams, of Monroe, and received his license in October, 1885; located in Danbury, Stokes County, in February, 1886, and has received a lucrative practice. Was Superintendent of Public Instruction of Stokes County for two terms, and was chairman of the Democratic County Executive Committee for four years. Was nominated in 1890 by acclamation, for Clerk of the Superior Court, but the county went Republican and he was defeated. Nominated by acclamation, September 10, 1892, at Pilot Mountain, as the Democratic candidate for State Senator for the counties of Stokes and Surry, and was elected by a good majority. He is serving on several important committees, and makes a good member.

Mr. Stack was married to Miss Chattie Prathers, of Mount Airy, in November, 1892, just a few weeks prior to entering upon his duties as State Senator.

Twenty-ninth District, JOHN S. CRANOR, Wilkesboro.

Born April 26, 1847, at Rockford, Surry County, and moved to Wilkesboro at the age of 10 years. Educated at the common schools of the county, He volunteered at the age of 17, and enlisted in Co. B, Junior Reserves, and was captured as a Confederate soldier, in 1864, at Camp Vance. After a term of imprisonment at Camp Douglas, Illinois, he returned home, read law with Hon. R. F. Armfield, and obtained license to practice from the Supreme Court of North Carolina in 1868, in which profession he is still engaged at Wilkesboro. He married Miss Sarah Taylor, of Fayetteville, in 1872, and has five sons and four daughters. Was Register of Deeds for one term. In 1889 was nominated for the Legislature, but was beaten by

600 majority. In 1892 was renominated, and, together with Mr. Sherrill, was elected by 735 majority. He is one of the few Democrats that have ever been elected from the "State of Wilkes," and better ones are seldom produced in this or any State. He is chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, and a member of the Committees on Claims, Fish Interests, etc.

Twenty-ninth District, MILES O. SHERRILL, Newton.

Born on the Catawba river, in Catawba County, on the 26th day of July, 1841. His father, Hiram Sherrill, was a well-to-do farmer; raised a family of eleven children; and when he died, in 1860, owned a number of slaves and several very valuable plantations.

The subject of this sketch never had the advantages of a collegiate education; this loss was caused by the breaking out of the late war; he left the school-room for the tented field, at the call of Governor Ellis for troops. He volunteered in the Catawba Rifles on April 27, 1861. The "Catawba Rifles" was put in the Second North Carolina Volunteers, with Colonel Sol. Williams as Commander. The number of the Regiment was afterward (and unjustly so, too) changed to Twelfth North Carolina Regiment. Was at his post with his command from Richmond to Gettysburg, sharing her dangers and toils. He was orderly Sergeant of his company, with the assurance of promotion, but fell in the charge at Spottsylvania Court House, Virginia, May, 1864, by which he lost his right leg above the knee, and spent ten months in prison. Mr. Sherrill returned from the army a cripple for life; he returned to the farm, the occupation of his boyhood, but found that he was disqualified for the occupation at which he had been raised, so he entered Catawba High School, then under charge of Dr. Clapp and Professor S. M. Finger, late Superintendent of Public Instruction, intending to study law; but while at school he met Miss Sallie R. Bost, and, in 1867, they were married, and have seven children.

In 1868 he was elected to the office of Clerk of the Superior Court and Judge of Probate, a new office and a new procedure in North Carolina under the new Code; he filled the office with great acceptability to the people for fourteen years. Mr. Sherrill has never voted anything but the Democratic ticket; to use his own expression, he is a "twenty-four karat Democrat," a strong Cleveland Democrat from 1884 until the present.

In 1882 the Democracy of Old Catawba was split up because of stock law and the prohibition election of 1881; the county had voted down prohibition by a large majority; and although Mr. Sherrill voted for prohibition, the Democrats nominated him for the Legislature as the person most likely to harmonize the party. The result proved the wisdom of the leaders, and he

was elected over the anti-prohibitionist by a majority of 990. He served on the Committee of Finance, Education, and was Chairman of Committee on Salaries and Fees.

In 1884, he was elected to the Senate from the counties of Catawba and Lincoln. In 1885, he was made Chief Deputy under Major Dowd, Collector, and was Cashier under Captain Kerr Craig, while he was Collector.

In 1892, when Old Catawba Democracy was in great danger, because of the "People's Party" movement, which seemed to have a stronger hold there than anywhere else, Mr. Sherrill was again nominated for the Senate with Mr. Cranor in what was considered a very doubtful district; he was elected again by about 1,000 majority. Mr. Sherrill joined the Methodist Church soon after the war; has been a faithful, consistent member, filling the positions of steward, class-leader, trustee and superintendent of Sunday-school. Time and time again has he represented his district in the Annual Conferences of his church; and at the session in Durham, in 1881, he was named as a delegate to the General Conference, but got up and stated that, by reason of being Clerk of the Superior Court, he could not attend, and suggested another man, who was elected. His varied experience—farmer, merchant, soldier, teacher, clerk, legislator—certainly qualifies him for making a useful Representative. Is Chairman Committee on Soldiers' Home and member other important committees.

Thirtieth District, WILLIAM C. FIELDS, Sparta.

Born in Alleghany County May 24, 1846, and received an education at the academies of Jefferson, N. C., and Independence, Va., and later at the State University in 1870–'71. Enlisted in the Confederate army in May, 1864, in Co. G, 1st N. C. Cavalry, and served until close of the war, in 1865. Was Superintendent of Public Schools in his county for a number of years. Read law with Col. A. M. Davis, in Virginia, and received license to practice in January, 1873, at Sparta, where he is still engaged. For a number of years was Solicitor for his County Inferior Court until it was abolished. Married Miss Jennie Smith, November 19, 1874, who died April 17, 1891, and has two sons and two daughters. Represented his county in the Legislature in 1874–'75, and in the State Senate in 1887, and in the fall of 1892 was nominated again for the Senate, and was elected by a handsome vote, and at present is serving on the following committees: Judiciary, Finance, Internal Improvements, Public Buildings, etc., and is chairman of the Committee on Penal Institutions.

Thirty-first District, SAMUEL L. PATTERSON, Yadkin Valley.

The subject of this sketch, who is a typical North Carolinian for intelligence, uprightness of character and superior business qualifications, was boru March 6, 1850, at "Palmyra," a most attractive rural home, where he is still living, situated in the beautiful Yadkin River Valley in Caldwell County. He was educated at Lenoir, Bingham's and Dr. Alex. Wilson's schools and at the Universities of North Carolina and Virginia. After completing his education he spent several years clerking in Salem, North Carolina, where he was married to Miss Mary Senseman, an accomplished lady of this Quaker city. Mr. Patterson returned to the old homestead, and has spent his life mainly at agriculture. For a number of years was chairman of the Board of County Commissioners. Was elected to the lower house of the General Assembly in 1891, and to his present position in the State Senate, together with Mr. Blalock, by a Democratic majority of 647 votes. Mr. P. is chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and a member of the Finance, Penal Institutions, Institutions for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, Roads, and Trustee of the University. He is a member of the State Board of Agriculture. Member of the Episcopal church.

Thirty-first District, SAMUEL W. BLALOCK, Ledger.

Born March 30, 1845, in Mitchell County, and was educated at the common schools of the community. Enlisted in the Confederate Army, and, at the close of his first year's service, was appointed Colonel of the Ninety-ninth Regiment, Home Guard, in which position he served until the close of the war. Married Miss Nancy S. Young, of Mitchell County, April 5, 1863. Unto this union have been born two sons and five daughters. Has been a Justice of the Peace, County Commissioner, and President of the County Alliance. Colonel Blalock was elected by his county Democracy to the lower house of the General Assembly in 1879. While it is not unusual for Mitchell to give eight hundred to one thousand Republican majority, in the fall of 1892, when a Democrat who had been tried and found true was needed, he was nominated for the Senate and was elected by a handsome majority. He is serving on the following committees: Agriculture, Claims, Justices of the Peace, Insurance, and chairman of Counties, Cities and Towns. Occupation, mica miner. Member of the Baptist church.

Thirty-second District, T. B. TWITTY, Rutherfordton.

This excellent gentleman, who has won the confidence and esteem of his acquaintances in Western North Carolina, was born in Rutherford County September 22, 1842, and is now in the fifty-first year of his age. His earliest training was obtained in the common schools of the community, and later

attended Wofford College in Spartanburg, S. C., only reaching the sophomore class when he left school and entered the army of Northern Virginia. In January, 1862, was chosen hospital steward of the 34th N. C. regiment. After the war he began the study of medicine at the Medical Department of the University of New York in 1868. Married at Cartersville, Ga., in 1867. Has been a member of the Senate branch of the General Assembly four terms, viz., in 1885, 1889, 1891 and 1893, and was elected each time by a handsome majority. At present is chairman of the Committee on Insane Asylums, and member of the Committees on Propositions and Grievances, Health, and Fish Interests. While he is serving his State well here, he is much missed at home, where his geniality and success as a physician has rendered him almost indispensable, especially among a large charity practice he delights to do.

Thirty-second District, ROBERT W. SANDIFER, Dallas,

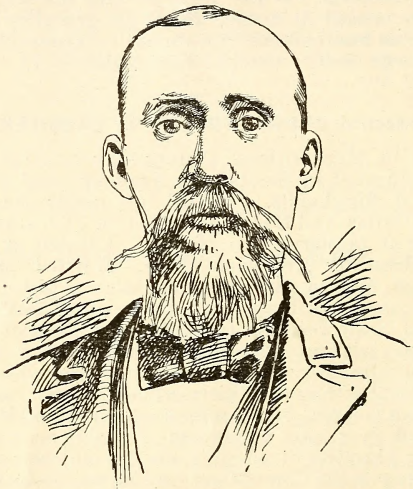
Was born in Mecklenburg County May 31, 1848, raised and partially educated in Steel Creek Academy, and also at Charlotte and at Bingham's. Studied law under the late M. A. Moore, of Dallas, and Haywood Guion, of Charlotte. Admitted to the bar at January term of 1871. Located at Dallas, and still practices his profession there. Married Miss Eva T. McCullough, May 29, 1878, and has a boy and girl. For several successive terms was mayor and alderman of Dallas. In 1876 was elected State Senator from the 38th District (Cleveland and Gaston) without opposition, while quite a young man. The Democratic party again nominated him, without solicitation, for Senator from the Thirty-second District, with Dr. T. B. Twitty, from Gaston, Cleveland, Rutherford and Polk, and he was elected over two opponents, Republican and People's Party, by a plurality of about 2,000 and majority of 200 votes. He is serving on the Committees on Claims, Federal Relations, Judiciary, Banks and Currency, Privileges and Elections, and Railroads and Railroad Commission. Mr. S. is a man of ability and firmness of character, and has won the esteem and confidence of his fellow Senators. He is the senior member, and is frequently called to preside.

Thirty-third District, JOSEPH S. DAVIS, Iron Duff.

Born in Haywood County on December 9, 1852, on a farm, in which community he now lives and received a common school education. Taught school for a few years, with first grade certificate; read law, but never practiced; chose farming as an occupation. His father, Hon. F. M. Davis, represented Haywood eight years in the House sometime since.

Married Miss Nannie J. Medford December 24, 1878; has three children living—one boy and two girls. His wife died

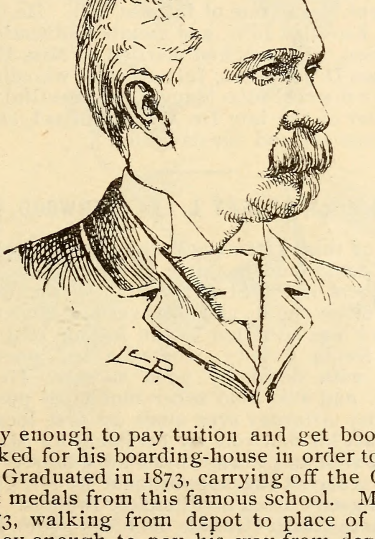
August 22, 1889. When the Farmers' Alliance was first organized, he was chosen County Lecturer, which position he held until October 2, 1891, when he was promoted to District Lecturer; this position gave him a seat in the State Alliance that met at Greensboro in August, 1892, in which meeting he used his utmost influence to prevent the Order from entering partisan politics. In 1890 was nominated by acclamation at the Democratic Convention, and after a heated contest against his opponent, Hon. James M. Moody, who is one of the leading Republicans in the western part of the State, was elected by a majority of two hundred and ninety-five votes.



He was appointed on some important committees, and made an efficient member; and as an evidence that his constituents were pleased with his course, he was, in the fall of 1892, again nominated by acclamation, and was elected this time over his uncle by a majority of 654 votes. He is serving on the following committees: Chairman Deaf, Dumb and Blind; Finance, Propositions and Grievances, Counties, Cities and Towns, Pension, and Soldiers' Home, Railroad and Railroad Commission, Rules, and Justice of the Peace. He was a delegate to the last State Convention, and offered the resolution taxing incomes, which was included in the platform. He is an unassuming man of strong convictions, never compromising his opinion, but believes in toleration in its grandest and broadest sense. He is very watchful and attentive, and one of the most useful members of the Senate. Is a steward of the Southern Methodist Church.

Thirty-Third District, JOHN M. CAMPBELL, Asheville.

Born in Smythe County, Va., 1st day of October, 1847. Parents died when he was seven years of age. Joined Confederate army at sixteen. Sergeant of Company D, 6th Virginia Battalion. After the war borrowed money to go to school, attending Emory and Henry College, Virginia, for two terms. Left college on account of means, and taught a school in three miles of college of thirty-five pupils, and at same time kept up with his college class in the Junior year. Closed his school before commencement and entered class, passed examinations and received Junior classification. Taught another year and



saved money enough to pay tuition and get books for Senior year. Worked for his boarding-house in order to secure credit for board. Graduated in 1873, carrying off the Oratorical and Mathematic medals from this famous school. Moved to Asheville in 1873, walking from depot to place of boarding, not having money enough to pay his way from depot. Founded and built up Weaverville College in Buncombe County, in the year 1873. After lorboring in the capacity as teacher and president for three years, went to Columbia, S. C., and took charge of a large cotton mill. Had never seen a bale of cotton before going there. Run the mill successfully for eight years, and to the great satisfaction of its owners. Returned to Asheville in 1884. Went into the real estate business. He has been very successful in this business, and is among one of the largest

property owners in the State, and is thoroughly identified with her progress, and has especially done much toward developing Asheville, Buncombe and Western North Carolina, making it the leader in point of enterprise and push. Is president of the Asheville Cigar and Cigarette Manufacturing Company. In 1890 Mr. Campbell accepted the nomination, two weeks prior to the election, for the State Senate, with 600 Republican majority against him, when no one else would have it, knowing that defeat was certain. He made a vigorous campaign, with odds against him, and was defeated by only 130 votes. In 1892 he was again nominated, by acclamation, and he took the field, working hard, early and late with Republican, Peoples and Prohibition parties all against him, and, together with Mr. Davis, was elected by a handsome majority. Mr. Campbell is faithful to the duties imposed on him, and is watchful to the State's best interests. His best speech thus far was against the six per cent. legal rate of interest bill. He is Chairman Committee on Enrolled Bills, and member Education, Finance and Inauguration. He was first married to Miss Ella, a sister of Hon. Thomas D. Johnston, July 19, 1876, who died January, 1888. Has since married Miss Maggie, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of the late Dr. W. L. Hilliard, also of Asheville, and has one son and one daughter.

Thirty-fourth District, ROBERT L. LEATHERWOOD, Bryson City.

The subject of this sketch is a native North Carolinian, born in Cherokee County, and is thirty years of age. One of the youngest members of the State Senate. Was educated in the public schools of his county and at Hayesville High School. He studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1884; located at Bryson City, Swain County, where he has since practiced his profession with decidedly good success. He has been Commissioner, and also held other municipal positions, and has been County Attorney ever since he first located in the county. He cast his first vote for President for Mr. Cleveland in 1884, of whom he has always been an admirer; and in the fall of 1885 he received the appointment by Mr. Cleveland as Agent for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. (The reservation in Western North Carolina includes about seventy-five thousand acres of land and about two thousand Indians, who have their own schools and are doing well.) Mr. L. filled this very important position acceptably and satisfactorily to both the Government and the Indians for four years. He has been mentioned for District Solicitor, and other positions in the political arena. In the fall of 1890 he was chairman of the Congressional Convention that nominated Hon. W. T. Crawford for Congress from the Ninth District. Married Miss Fannie C. Simpson, of Anderson, South Carolina, November 17, 1887,

and unto them have been born three sons. He received the nomination in the fall of 1892 by the Democratic party in his district, composed of Swain, Jackson, Henderson and Transylvania counties, which is politically very close, but he entered the campaign with a determination to win and carry with him the entire ticket from Cleveland down, and the result on the

th of November showed that he was elected by a majority of 12 votes over both his Republican and People's Party opponents, and he is now here representing the Thirty-fourth Senatorial District with credit to himself and his constituents. erving on the following committees: Judiciary, Education, ailroads and Railroad Commission, Soldier's Home, Pensions, nrolled Bills, and chairman of the Joint Committee on the lection of Justices of the Peace for the State. He is a member of the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Leatherwood is Secretary and Treasurer of the Bryson ity Manufacturing Company, and also one of the largest ockholders in the Bryson City Land and Improvement Company, which is doing much to develop this enterprising town.

Thirty-Fifth District, BEN FOSEY, Murphy.

Born in Mills River Valley, in Henderson County, January 16, 1857, and was educated at the common schools of the community, principally at Mills River Academy, under Dr. Richard H. Lewis, now of Kinston. Worked on the farm until the age of eighteen years, and for three years taught school and studied law at home while teaching. Was admitted to the bar January, 1879, and in August of the same year moved to Murphy, in Cherokee County, where he has since been practicing

his profession. Married Miss Elizabeth Hennessa, of Murphy May 6, 1880, and has three sons and one daughter. For si years was Superintendent of Public Instruction, for four yea Chairman Democratic County Executive Committee, and di much to reduce the Republican majority, and for the past fi years has been attorney for the county and town corporatio In 1888 was nominated to represent Cherokee in the Hous and came within eighty-six votes of being elected, while th Republican majority in the county was 225. In the fall 1892 was nominated by acclamation for the State Senate fro the 35th district—the counties of Cherokee, Graham, Macc and Clay—and was elected over Major Higdon, an influenti Republican, by a majority of 325 votes, carrying every count

ven his own, by 109 votes. He is serving on committees, udiciary, Corporations, Privileges and Elections, Propositions nd Grievances, World's Fair, Inauguration, and Chairman ibrary. Mr. Posey is a promising young man, and always ikes a firm stand for whatever he thinks to be right. He is a ephew of the late Nick W. Woodfin, of Asheville, who is eld in high esteem as one of the most eminent jurists in the tate, and some forty years ago was a member of the Senate, nd possesses many of the qualities of this distinguished gen- eman. He won the distinction of his profession in the famous ial of Mrs. Gould for the murder of her husband in Cher- kee, a few years since, in which he appeared for the defense nd gained the case.

NOTE.—The Senate Branch of the present General Assembly f North Carolina, of which a biography of each appears in his book, composing fifty representatives from the thirty-five enatorial Districts, are gentlemen of intelligence, high moral haracter, and fine personal appearance, and is in every respect onceded to be superior to any similar body. The body is ivided as follows: Democrats, 47; People's Party, 3; farmers, 9; lawyers, 16; merchants, 5, doctors, 5; tobacco manufac- rers, 1; real estate dealer, 1; ministers, 2; editors, 1; widow- rs, 4; and bachelors, 5; and the average age 38 years.

AUTHOR.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Speaker LEE S. OVERMAN, Salisbury.

(ALSO MEMBER FROM ROWAN COUNTY.)

The subject of this sketch, while still a young man, has risen to positions of which he and the State are both proud to recognize the honor. He is a son of the late William H. Overman, and was born in Salisbury on the 3d day of January, 1854; was graduated from Trinity College in 1874, receiving the degree of A. B., and three years later the degree of A. M. was con-

ferred upon him by his Alma Mater. In June, 1876, he commenced the study of law under Colonel J. M. McCorkle, of Salisbury, and in the campaign of 1876 took a very active part. On the 31st of January, 1877, he was appointed by Governor Vance his confidential clerk, and retained by Governor Jarvis; and on the 1st of January, 1879, he received the appointment of Private Secretary. While in Raleigh he pursued the study of his profession under Richard H. Battle, Jr., Esq., and at the January Term, 1878, of the Supreme Court, received license and was admitted to the bar. Resigned the office of Private Secretary January 1, 1881, and returned to Salisbury to practice his profession.

In 1878 Mr. Overman was married to Miss Mary, the oldest daughter of the late Chief Justice Merrimon, and has two daughters. He has three times represented Rowan County in the General Assembly; and is a Trustee of Trinity College and of the University; and is one of the directors of the Penitentiary, and is entitled to a share of the credit for the successful management of that Institution.

The nomination of Mr. Overman as Speaker of the House by acclamation was especially a high compliment, since this was the first time such has occurred in many years, and it was a little singular that this mark of favor and esteem happened on his thirty-ninth birthday.

Mr. Overman has had experience as a presiding officer, is an accomplished parliamentarian, is a genial companion, a gentleman of Christian character and a Democrat who has fought valiantly and wisely since he became a man. He uses the gavel well, and is destined to higher honors in his native State.

Alamance, JACOB A. LONG, Graham.

Born in Alamance County, April 6, 1846. Raised on a farm, and was educated at Dr. Alex. Wilson's school. Entered the army in spring of 1864, of Northern Virginia, in Captain Wright's battery, where he remained in the service of his country until Lee's surrender at Appomattox, April 9, 1865. Held position as gunner to the third gun. After returning from the army spent four years on farm and in school, after which studied law under Judge Ruffin, at Hillsboro. Was admitted to the bar in 1871. Practiced law two years at Graham. Accepted the conductorship on North Carolina Railroad for one year, and taught school for one year. Moved to Yanceyville and practiced law for ten years. Went to Durham and spent three years, and returned to Graham in 1887, at which place he practiced his profession. Has been nominated for Solicitor and State Representative but was defeated by Republicans. Married December 20, 1871, to Miss Esther Teague, of Graham, and has two sons and five daughters His father was a plain farmer, and has five other sons, as follows: John H., who is farming in Missouri; Rev. Dr. W. S. Long, President Elon College, North Carolina; Rev. Dr. D. A. Long, President Antioch College, Ohio; Dr. Geo. W. Long, member State Board Medical Examiner, and Ben. F. Long, Solicitor Ninth Judicial District In the Fall of 1892 was nominated for the House without seeking the position, by acclamation, by his county Democracy, and was elected by a majority of 359 votes, over a fusion of the Republicans and People's Party, the largest ever given in Alamance, for a Representative to the Legislature. Is Chairman Finance, member Judiciary, Penal Institutions and Public Printing Committees. Elder in Presbyterian church.

Alexander, N. SIDNEY NORTON, Elk Shoals.

Was born in Alexander County, on a farm, March 18, 1847, and was educated in the common school, excepting one year at Rutherford College. Conscripted at seventeen years of age, and spent the last year of the war in Company A, Sixth North Carolina Cavalry. After returning home he farmed and taught school for several years.

Married Miss Amanda McLelland, of the same county, December 27, 1870, and has nine children. In 1872 joined the North Carolina Southern Methodist Conference and travelled five years in the itineracy. He has been County Superintendent of Public Instruction for two years.

In the fall of 1892 was nominated by the People's Party Convention, and elected by a majority of 173 votes to the State Legislature. Is on following committees: Counties, Cities and Towns, Railroad, and Railroad Commission, Insane Asylum, and Federal Relations.

Alleghany, CASWELL J. TAYLOR, Laurel Springs.

Born May 20, 1850, in Ashe County, and moved to Alleghany County in 1862. Received only limited education at the common schools of the county. Married Miss Caroline, daughter of John R. Long, December 20, 1871, and has four sons and seven daughters. Served two years each as Justice of the Peace and County Commissioner, and resigned the latter position for the present one. Has spent his life farming and stock-raising, and never in politics. Nominated by the county Democracy for the House, to which position he was elected by 410 majority. On Committee on Finance, Agriculture, and Counties, Cities and Towns.

Anson, THOMAS JEFFERSON WATKINS, Poplar Hill.

Born in Anson County, near the Pee Dee, November 11, 1842. Raised on the farm and has since followed farming. Educated in part in Anson, and at Taylorsville, Alexander County. He joined the Methodist Church in early youth, of which he became Steward and Trustee. He enlisted in the Anson Guards, an old organized company, before the late war, tendered his services to the State in February, 1861, was accepted, and repaired to Raleigh April 16, 1861. Was engaged in all the pitched battles fought by the Army of Northern Virginia up to September 19, 1864, under Colonel R. T. Bennett; Magruder, our First Brigadier-General; then Anderson, Grimes, Ramseur; and last, General W. R. Cox, Major General D. H. Hill; and Rhodes, Corps commander; T. J. Jackson, Ewell and Early. Wounded 3d May, 1863, at Chancellorsville; 1st July, 1863, at

Gettysburg, Pennsylvania; at Spottsylvania 12th May, 1864; at Winchester September 19, 1864, which last permanently disabled him for other duties.

He married Miss Susan E., daughter of Captain Benjamin D. Henry, of Anson, January 12, 1864, and has two sons and four daughters. Is a steward and trustee of the Methodist Church. Never entered politics until nominated by the Democratic party for his present position and was elected by 1,200 majority. Is on following committees: Propositions and Grievances, Finance, Ariculture, Salaries, and Education.

Ashe, RUFUS A. HAMILTON, Beaver Creek.

Born October 5, 1850, at Beaver Creek, Ashe County, where he now lives; son of G. H. Hamilton, a prominent citizen and official of that county for a number of years. He attended school at Jefferson Academy, and afterwards at Poughkeepsie, New York. Was three times elected, and served as County Commissioner, and resigned that position to accept the nomination for his present position as Representative, and was elected by a handsome majority as a Democrat over his opponent, being the only Democrat elected for the space of eight years from his county.

Was married in Salem, N. C., October 9, 1879, to Miss Laura C. Agthe, eldest daughter of Professor Fr. Agthe, of Salem Female Academy. Occupation—merchant, miller and farmer. Serving on following committees: Finance, Insane Asylums, Claims, Pensions, Counties, Cities and Towns. Holds several other positions of trust in his county, and never voted anything but a Democratic ticket.

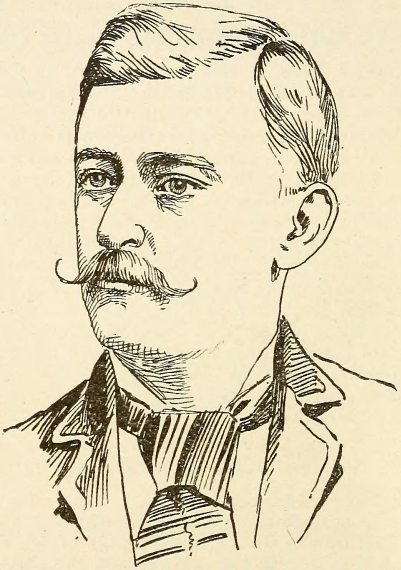
Beaufort, JOHN R. ROWE, Aurora.

Born in Beaufort County, January 3, 1852. He is the son of John T. Rowe and Penelope Rowe. He has always been a Democrat; and by the strong solicitation of his many friends, he was induced to accept the nomination to the present Legislature, which nomination was made by acclamation in the regular Democratic Convention of Beaufort County. His opponent was Dr. B. Stilley, a member of the People's Party, who was endorsed by the Republicans of the county. Stilly was an old campaigner and well acquainted with campaign work; but Representative Rowe made a vigorous campaign, and his efforts were, on the 8th of November last, crowned with a majority over his opponant of 249 notes. On several committees.

He joined the Primitive Baptist Church in March, 1869, and commenced the work of the ministry in December, 1873, which position he has been filling among the churches of his profession since that time. He is and has been serving four churches as pastor for a number of years.

Bertie, AARON S. RASCOE, Windsor.

Born near Windsor, in Bertie County, March 12, 1855. Attended school at Windsor Academy up to the age of sixteen years, when he took charge of his store, where he has been engaged ever since, having become his father's successor in the spring of 1881. Married Miss Lizzie Gillan October 17, 1876, and has two daughters living. Within less than two months after becoming twenty-one years old was elected Mayor of his town, which position he has held almost continuously



until he resigned to take the position in the House of Representatives. Was unanimously nominated by the county Democracy, and elected over two opponents, a Third Partyite and a negro, by 604 majority, which is a high compliment to him, as the county ordinarily goes Republican. He is serving on the following committees: Finance, Education, Insane Asylums, Penal Institutions, and Claims, and is an attentive and excellent Representative. Member of the Missionary Baptist church.

Bladen, SAMUEL M. KING, Kelly's.

Born July 2, 1861, at Lancaster City, Pennsylvania. Graduated at the high school in that city in 1876, and immediately

accepted a position on the staff of *The Lancaster Examiner*, a Republican daily of that place. Remained in that position until the winter of 1883, when he came to Bladen County, North Carolina, with his father to engage in the shingle and lumber business. Was twice married, the first time in 1885 to Miss Emlie Gensemer, the daughter of a prominent merchant of Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Mrs. King died the first year of her married life, leaving one daughter, who still survives and lives with her grandparents in Lancaster. In 1887 was again married to a daughter of Mr. George E. Keith, of Bladen County. Two living children are the result of this union.

Been a Republican in politics, and of late years an active Allianceman. At present President of Bladen County Alliance. Never held any official position heretofore. Was elected to the House of Representatives on the People's Party ticket in 1892 over W. I. Shaw, the Democrat, by a majority of 28 votes. Seat contested by Shaw on the ground of irregularities. Committee on Privileges and Elections unanimously decided that the contestant had no ground for contest. On Committee on Corporations and on Military Affairs.

Buncombe, ROBERT BRANK VANCE, Alexander's.

There are few men in North Carolina better known than the subject of this sketch, who is a son of Captain David and

Mrs. Mira M. Vance, was born at Vanceville, in the county of Buncombe, the 24th of April, 1828. He was named for his uncle, Dr. Robert B. Vance, member of Congress from Buncombe in 1825, who was killed in a duel with Hon. Samuel P. Carson on the 27th October, 1827. The educational advantages of young Vance were limited, being confined to the "old-field schools" of that day. He was elected Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in 1849, being just old enough to take the oath of office, which position he voluntarily declined after eight years of service. On going out of office he advertised all moneys that were in his hands; but after paying all claimants who responded, there were left in his hands the sum of $450, which he covered into the treasury of his county.

Mr. Vance sold goods in Asheville for a number of years, until the breaking out of the war, when he raised a company styled "The Buncombe Life Guards," and was attached to the Twenty-ninth North Carolina Regiment, of which he was elected Colonel in the spring of 1861, receiving every vote of the regiment but his own. Colonel Vance was re-elected Colonel at Cumberland Gap in 1862. In the battle of Murfreesboro, December 31, 1862, his horse was killed by a shell, which exploded on a rock near by, the fragments of rock bruising his hands. In June, 1863, he was appointed Brigadier General and was captured near Cosby, Tennessee, by riding into a party of Federals through mistake. He was paroled just before General Lee's surrender, and was under fire in Western Carolina, but not able to take part in the fight. After the war, General Vance was elected, in the fall of 1872, to Congress from his native district, to which position he was successively elected for twelve years and made an excellent member. He served four years as Assistant Commissioner of Patents under Mr. Cleveland, and is now a member of the House in this Legislature, at the earnest request of his people, for which he has always been ever ready to serve.

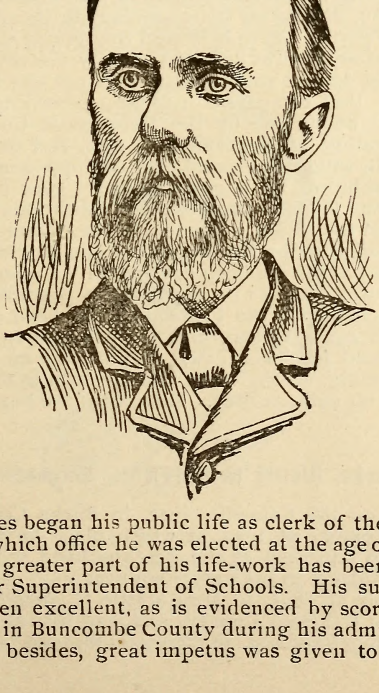
General Vance has been Grand Master of Masons, G. W. P. of the Sons of Temperance, and has twice been a delegate to the World's Ecumenical Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in which church he has been a life-time worker. Also in the Sunday-school and the temperance cause, which are near his heart. He has written one book of poems—"Heart Throbs from the Mountains," and is writing, also, on "Lights and Shadows of Mountain Life."

He has been twice married, the first time to Miss Harriet V. McElroy, May 15, 1851, who died March 20, 1885, leaving three sons and one daughter; and the second time to Miss Lizzie R. Cook, on the 15th December, 1892. He has spent most of his life on the farm, which was his chosen vocation, and now owns two of the best farms on the French Broad river, below Asheville—Riverside, and one at Hotel Alexander, where he is now residing. He is Chairman of the Committee on Agri-

culture, Mechanics and Mining, also on Internal Improvements; on Pensions, Public Buildings and Grounds, and is a useful as well as a faithful servant of the people.

Buncombe, JOHN W. STARNES, Asheville.

John W. Starnes is a son of Thomas Starnes of German descent, and Elizabeth (Morgan) Starnes of English descent. Was born a little over forty years ago, on his father's farm, seven miles west of Asheville, in the county of Buncombe. He was educated mainly in the public schools of his native county. Fifteen years ago he was married to Miss Mary J. Brand, of Asheville. They have four children, viz.: Brand, Bethie, Maidie and John Wesley, Jr.



Mr. Starnes began his public life as clerk of the "Township Court," to which office he was elected at the age of twenty-one years. The greater part of his life-work has been done either as teacher or Superintendent of Schools. His success in this work has been excellent, as is evidenced by scores of schoolhouses built in Buncombe County during his administration of seven years; besides, great impetus was given to the cause of

education in general by his untiring efforts, He is President (a second term) of the Western North Carolina Teachers' Association, and is a charter member of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, in which he has held many positions of honor. He is a Trustee of the State University, and a devoted friend to education in general. His residence is No. 147 North Main street, Asheville, where he has lived for sixteen years and accumulated a competent estate.

Though not a politician, Mr. Starnes has, from boyhood, taken great interest in shaping the politics of the country. Though several times nominated in the primaries of his county, he never has been a candidate for a political position but twice. Four years ago he was nominated by the Democratic Senatorial Convention of Buncombe and Madison for the State Senate; at the same time he stood nominated by township primaries of his own county for the House of Representatives. It was plain that he could be elected to the House, but it was equally plain that he could not be elected to the Senate, as the Republican candidate had been elected two years before by nearly two thousand majority. The Convention of the Senatorial District, by acclamation, demanded his candidacy in the district, as a service to the party. As to how well the service was rendered, it is enough to say he was defeated by only 184 votes, and that he received the largest vote that was given to any Democrat in the district in that campaign, or in any preceding campaign. He was again nominated by the Democratic Convention of Buncombe County on September 3, 1892, and on the 8th of November following was elected over two opponents, Republican and Prohibition, by a good majority over both. He is chairman of the House Committee on Institutions for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind; a member of the Committee on Education, the Committee on Enrolled Bills, and on Public Library.

Mr. Starnes has always been considered "a man of the people," and is ever ready to do anything to promote their best interest. His course in the Legislature has been one of strict prudence and conservatism, and his successs in getting his measures passed has been equal to any new member in the General Assembly, all the while looking both to the interest of the State and his constituency. Member of the Baptist Church.

Burke, JULIUS H. HOFFMAN, Morganton.

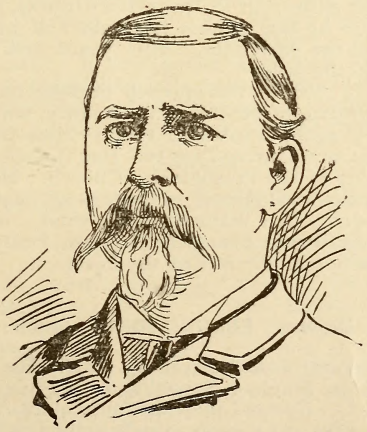
Was born on the Catawba river, in Burke County, North Carolina, December 28, 1849, at which place he has lived all his life. Was educated at the neighborhood schools and at Rutherford College, in his native county.

Married May 23, 1875, to Miss Mattie E., daughter of A. J. Corpening, of Caldwell County, and has five children. For four years merchandised in Morganton, and also farmed.

Served two terms as County Surveyor, and, before twenty-one years of age, elected a Justice of the Peace, which office he yet holds. Was member of the Board of County Commissioners for fifteen years, a part of the time Chairman, which he resigned to accept a position as Division Deputy Collector under Cleveland. In 1889 he was nominated against his wish by the county Democracy for the Legislature, and the only Democrat elected that year. He was forced to the front again by the unterrified of his county for the same position in 1892, and again the only Democrat elected, excepting the Surveyor. Is serving on the following committees: Railroad, and Railroad Commission, Agricultural, Insane Asylums, and Deaf, Dumb, and Blind. He is a faithful and efficient worker, and is a faithful Representative and Deacon in the Baptist Church.

Brunswick, GEORGE H. BELLAMY, El Paso.

Born in New Hanover County, April 24, 1854. Raised on a plantation in the country, and educated at Cape Fear Military Academy and Turner's Collegiate Institute, remaining until 1875. He was married on the 20th of December, 1876, to Miss



Kate T., daughter of John H. Thees, a prominent merchant of Southport, N. C. To this union has been two sons and two daughters. Mr. Bellamy has always been an extreme Democrat, and has done much for the party in his county. He has been in the mercantile business for several years, but has always farmed, and on scientific principles, and with success, mainly

raising cotton, rice and peanuts. He has been a Justice of the Peace for twelve years, Chairman of the County Democratic Executive Committee, Chairman Board of Justices of the Peace, for two years member of the County Board of Education, and at present a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee. In the fall of 1892 he was nominated by acclamation by his county democracy, and was elected by a handsome majority, to the House branch of the present General Assembly. He is a capital fellow, makes a good representative, and has many friends. He is serving on the following committees: Finance, Agriculture, Penal Institutions, Propositions and Grievances, Counties, Cities and Towns, Claims, Health, and was also on the Inauguration Commmittee.

Cabarrus, D. HENRY WHITE, Concord.

Born December 28, 1842, in Cabarrus County, on the farm on which he now lives, and is following farming as his chosen occupation. Educated at the common schools of the community. Volunteered and enlisted in the Confederate Army, August 6, 1861, in Company H, Seventh North Carolina troops, and served the entire war in the private ranks, excepting the last year, when he was chosen Sergeant and was with Johnston's army at the surrender. After peace had been restored he returned to the farm.

September 8, 1868, he was married to Miss Laura, daughter of Wade Hampton, of Mecklenburg County, who died June 8, 1874. Married again October 16, 1883, to Miss Addie, daughter of A. B. White, of Cabarrus County. Has three living children. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Never held any political position until elected to the present Legislature by his county Democracy by a majority of 695 votes. Serving on the following committees: Penal Institutions, Pensions, Agriculture, and Election of Justices of the Peace.

Caldwell, EDMUND JONES, Lenoir.

Born in Caldwell County April 15, 1848. He was prepared for college at the Bingham School and the Finley High School at Lenoir, N. C. Entered the University of North Carollna in 1864, but left after one session to go into the Confederate Army of Northern Virginia as a private in Company F, Third North Carolina Cavalry (Forty-first Regiment). Passed through the various battles around Petersburg and was with his regiment at the surrender at Appomattox. In the fall of 1865 he returned to the University of North Carolina, and remained until the University was disrupted in 1868, when he went to the University of Virginia and there studied law. Was a member of

the State House of Representatives from 1870 to 1874, and again in 1879. He was Chief of the Customs Division of the office of Commissioner of Customs in the United States Treasury Department during Mr. Cleveland's first term as President.

Colonel Jones was nominated by the Democratic County Democracy of Caldwell, by acclamation, as a candidate for the present House of Representatives, and was elected by 470 majority over E. F. Wakefield, Independent, supported by the Third Party and Republicans.

In October, 1872, he was married to Miss Eugenia Lewis, of Raleigh, and has three sons and one daughter. Has been a life-long Democrat and is a practicing lawyer at Lenoir, and is a strong and able man, both at the bar and in the legislative halls. He is Chairman Committee of Election Trustees University, member Judiciary, Education, Privileges and Elections, Blind, and Rules.

Camden, FELIX JONES, Indiantown.

Born in Camden County in 1841, and is fifty-two years old Married Miss Susan Fords, March 14, 1866, and has three children. Joined the Confederate Infantry in 1861, where he served one year and five months; and also served ten months in the Navy Department. Farmer by occupation. Member of the Methodist church. A Republican in politics, and was elected to the present Legislature by a majority of 22 votes over the Democratic candidate. Is serving on the committees on Fish and Fisheries, Justices of the Peace, and Engrossed Bills.

Carteret, DAVID W. RUSSELL, Beaufort.

Was born in Carteret County, November 24, 1838, and educated in the schools of his native county. Volunteered and enlisted in the Confederate Army April 24, 1861, in Company C, Second Regiment North Carolina Infantry. Within six months was transferred to the Tenth Heavy Artillery. Taken prisoner at Fort Macon in April, 1862, and at the fall of Fort Macon was paroled and permitted to return home. In October afterwards was exchanged and returned to the army, and remained in the service until the surrender of Lee's Army. Married Miss Maggie B. Chadwick, of Carteret County, September 13, 1866. He has lived a quiet life, holding no office exeept Justice of the Peace, until nominated in the fall of 1892 for the present Legislature, to which he was elected by a majority of 447 over a fusion of the Republicans and People's Partyites. On Committee on Institutions for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, on Military, and Fish and Oysters. Is a Deacon in the Free-will Baptist church.

Caswell, ROBERT W. WILLIAMSON, Milton.

Born in Pittsylvania county, Virginia, in 1863, and was educated at Biddle University, at Charlotte, North Carolina; graduating in class of 1890, in which he was a leader among his fellow-students in the Clariosophic Literary Society. He read law under Judge W. H. Bailey, LL. D., and was admitted to the bar in September, 1890, and has since been practicing in Milton, but has recently moved to New Bern, where he will open an office for the practice of his profession.

Married Miss Georgia Davis, of New Bern, September 15, 1892. Member of the Presbyterian Church and a faithful Sunday-school worker. He was elected by the Republican party of Caswell as a member of the present Legislature over the Democrat, who represented the county two years ago, by 600 majority. Is serving on the Judiciary and Educational Committees, and is the youngest of the four colored Representatives.

Chatham, ALFRED M. SELF, Hadley's Mills.

Born in Randolph County April 17, 1836. His parents moved to Chatham County during his infancy. He was raised in the the country and received only a limited education at the common schools. Followed farming and blacksmithing all his life, and is a self-made man. Married Mary Henderson in August, 1856, and has eight children. Held no official position except Justice of the Peace and Vice-President of the Alliance. Was given detail work during the late war under Major Malett. Was nominated by the People's Party Convention in the fall of 1892 and was elected over his opponent (a Democrat) by 786 votes. Serving on Committes on Agriculture, and Roads and Turnpikes. Has been a member and class-leader of the Methodist church for forty years.

Chatham, ALEXANDER W. WICKER, Colon.

Born in Chatham County, March 2, 1845; raised on a farm, and received a limited education in the common schools of the community. Exempted from military duties during the civil war by doing government work at home. Taught public schools for ten years. For twelve years was a Justice of the Peace, and for four years he was in the employ of the Government. Was County Alliance Lecturer for two years. Married Miss M. E. Redding, of Chatham County, November 7, 1880. In 1882 was Independent candidate for the Legislature, but defeated. In 1892 was nominated by the People's Party Convention, and was elected by a majority of 775 votes. On Committees on Engrossed Bills, Roads and Turnpikes, and Claims.

Catawba, PHILIP ANDREW HOYLE, Newton,

Born in Catawba County on the 8th day of June, 1845, and lived at the place of his birth, working on the farm until 1863, when he volunteered in Company F, Twenty-third Regiment of North Carolina Troops. Joined his command at Camp, near Kelly's Ford, in Virginia, and remained with it and on the battle-field until May 12, 1864, when he became a prisoner of war in the battle fought near Spottsylvania, in Virginia. From the battle-field he was taken to Point Lookout in May, and in September or October of 1864, removed to Elmira, New York, where he remained until July, 1865. During his imprisonment he attended schools established by the United States for prisoners, and conducted by faithful and efficient teachers, who were also prisoners of war. It was in these schools he first learned the correct principles of English Grammar. In April, 1865, he, with a large number of other prisoners, were permitted to sign papers, known to the prisoners as "parole papers," preparatory to a return to their commands or their homes in the South. Before the preparations were completed and the parol effected, the spring showers came, and the ice and snow on the mountains began to thaw, and the river to rise until the prison was overflowed, the walls thereof washed away, and with them the bright hopes of "going home." This flood (for so it was known to the prison-boys) overflowed the valleys, washing away the railroad leading down the valley of the Susquehanna. He returned home in July, 1865, convinced that the war had wrought great changes in the condition of men and things; but like every soldier, soon learned to accept the situation. He worked on the farm during the fall of 1865, and during the winter he attended a subscription school in his community.

In the spring of 1866 he entered school at Rutherford College, where he remained about fifteen months, and then taught a short school, and again returned to college, and, until 1870, he spent his time in farming, teaching and going to school.

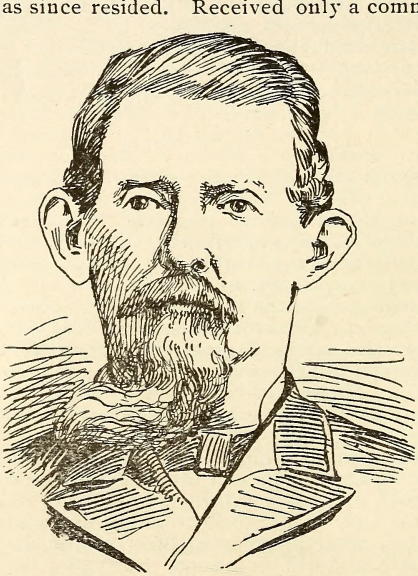
In October, 1871, he married Miss Mattie S. Johnson, of Burke County, and has three sons. Soon after his marriage he began teaching in Hale County, Alabama, but, after six months, returned to North Carolina and took charge of a school at Polkton, Anson County, and remained five years and returned to his native county, and again engaged in farming until 1882. In the fall of that year he was nominated and elected by the Democratic party to the office of Clerk of the Superior Court and Probate Judge; re-elected in 1886, and in 1890 retired from office, and went on his farm one mile south of Newton, where he now lives. He was a member of the Board of Education, and resigned that office on the 2d day of January, 1892.

He was nominated and elected to his seat in this General Assembly by the Democrats of his county—his majority over

the combined opposition being 350. He was a member of the following committees, viz.: Deaf and Dumb, Insurance, Education, and Institution for the Blind. Member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Cherokee, FELIX PORTER AXLEY, Murphy.

Born in Franklin, Macon County, North Carolina, in 1836. Parents moved to Cherokee County in 1838. Remained on the farm until 1847, when he moved to Murphy, Cherokee County, where he has since resided. Received only a common school



education. Studied law under Chief Justice Pearson, and was admitted to the bar in 1868. Was Clerk and Master of the Court of Equity and County Solicitor for Cherokee from 1860 to 1862. Captain Axley served in the Confederate Army under Colonel David Coleman as First Lieutenant of Company G, Thirty-ninth Regiment North Carolina State Troops. At the close of the war he resumed the practice of law in Murphy. Was Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue from 1878 until 1883. On December 26, 1859, he was married to Miss Margaret P. Johnston. Was elected to represent the county of Cherokee in the Legislature of 1893 as a Republican. He is serving on the following committees: Judiciary, Railroads and Railroad Commission, Federal Relations, and Rules.

Chowan, WILLIAM B. SHEPARD, Edenton.

Is a son of Hon. W. B. Shepard, who for eight years represented the First District of North Carolina in Congress. Born in Pasquotank County November 28, 1844. At the age of seven years, on the death of his father, went to Edenton, where he has since lived. He is a cotton-planter, and is also engaged in insurance business. Educated at the University of Virginia. After returning from three years' service in the army, on General Pettigrew's staff as Aide-de-Camp, and afterwards in the Artillery branch of the service. He married Miss Pauline, daughter of the late Paul C. Cameron, of Hillsboro. He was for many years a Justice of the Peace and also Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners. Was nominated by his county Democracy without his knowledge and during his absence, and was elected by a handsome plurality over both Republican and People's Party candidates. Serves on the following committees: Chairman Public Buildings and Grounds; member of Education, Insurance, Justices of the Peace, and Fish and Fisheries.

Clay, JAMES S. ANDERSON, Hayesville.

Born in Haywood County January 6, 1835; raised on the farm and received a limited education. He was Captain of Company A, Twenty-ninth Regiment North Carolina Troops during the war, and was in many lively battles, notably the fight at Murfreesboro, Tennessee, December 31, 1862, where 40,000 men were engaged, and many of them wounded and killed. After the war he located in Clay County, where he has since lived and engaged in farming.

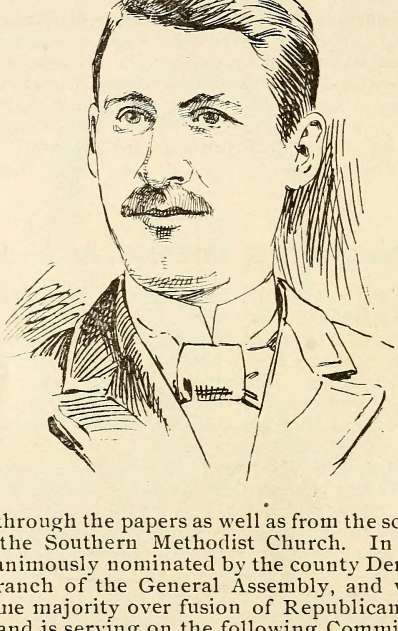
Married Miss J. S. Ketron June 6, 1866, and has six living children. He has represented his county in the House several times, viz.: 1870-'71-'72-'73'-'74-'79-'80-'83, and was again nominated by the County Democracy in 1892, without opposition, and was elected over two opponents—Republicans and People's Party—by eighty-five majority. He is now serving as Chairman Committee on Claims, and also on Corporations, Propositions and Grievances, and Public Roads.

Cleveland, SYLVANUS ERWIN, Waco.

Born in Cleveland County and is the youngest son of Professor Ira Erwin, also brother of Rev. Ira Erwin, of the Western North Carolina Conference, now stationed at Hendersonville. He is twenty-two years of age and the youngest member of the present General Assembly, yet he has several rivals for this distinction in the persons of Representatives Merritt, Grimes and Eure; as can be seen by their pictures as well as by the data of

their history; and like the other junior members, he has not neglected to perform the duties assigned him, yet, at the same time, has kept an eye single to the ladies gallery. Received an education at home under his father.

Mr. Erwin has been teaching for a few years, and at present is President of the Normal and Collegiate Institute at Waco, in Cleveland County, and has a splendid school. For five years he has been a regular press correspondent, and disseminating



information through the papers as well as from the school-room. Member of the Southern Methodist Church. In the fall of 1892 was unanimously nominated by the county Democracy for the House branch of the General Assembly, and was elected by a handsome majority over fusion of Republicans and People's Party, and is serving on the following Committees: Education, Engrossed Bills, Military Affairs, Pensions, Deaf, Dumb and Blind, and Inauguration.

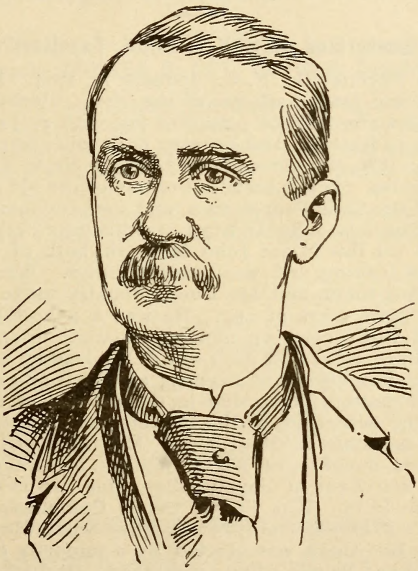
Craven, RICHARD P. WILLIAMS, Newbern.

Born in Craven County and received a limited education at the common schools of Craven and Guilford counties; after which he merchandised in Newbern for seven years. Married Miss Pauline T., daughter of D. C. Carrington, of Goldsboro, December 27, 1875, and has three children, two boys and one

girl. Member of the Southern Methodist church. Engaged in farming until the fall of 1880, when he embarked in politics, and was elected for three terms and served on Board of City Council, and also for one term as Mayor. In 1890 he was elected Sheriff of Craven County, and in the fall of 1892 elected by the Republican party a member of State Legislature by over 1,000 majority, over Democrat and People's Party candidates. Serving on Propositions and Grievances and Fish and Fisheries.

Columbus, JAMES BION SCHULKEN, Whitesville.

Born at his father's site, in the county of Brunswick, on the 24th day of May, 1857, where he lived until he was twelve years



old. At the age of seven years he started to school, and continued going until he arrived at the age of twelve years, then moved to Wilmington, N. C., and there went to school until he was fifteen years old; then moved to Whitesville in Columbus County, where he has ever since resided. He received a partial collegiate education at the State University, after which he attended the law school, in Greensboro, of Messrs. Dick and Dillard, under whom he studied until he obtained his license,

in February 1883, to practice law in this State. He located in Whitesville and is still engaged in the practice of law. Was twice elected Mayor of his town, and also Superintendent of Public Instruction for the county. He was nominated by the Democratic Convention of Columbus County, and after making a brilliant campaign was elected a member of the present General Assembly over his opponents by a good majority.

Mr. Schulken was appointed Chairman of Committee on Engrossed Bills, and a member of the Committees on the Judiciary, Insurance, Counties, Cities and Towns, Library, Claims, and a sub-committee appointed by the Judiciary Committee to draft a bill to regulate assignments. Though young and inexperienced in legislative affairs, he is quite watchful and pursues a conservative course. He was maried on the 22d day of February, 1891, to Miss Mary A. Smith, of Columbus County.

Cumberland, HENRY L. COOK, Fayetteville.

Born in Fayetteville, N. C., January 15, 1864. Educated at the public and graded schools of the city. Clerked in stores for two years after school. Studied law with ex-Judge George V. Strong, in Raleigh, and licensed at October term, 1885, and in January, 1886, commenced practicing in Fayetteville, where he now resides. Is a descendant of one of the old and leading families of the Cape Fear section, and a successful and popular lawyer. The late John D. Starr was his grandfather, and his father was the late Major John H. Cook, both of whom were among the leading and wealthiest families. War came and impoverished them, and Mr. Cook pluckily made his way in life from eight years of age. He was a newsboy for many years, and while carrying newspapers went to school, never fearing failure, until now he is one of the leading spirits in the progress and enterprise of his city; and he is an earnest advocate of all matters pertaining to the interest of agriculture; realizing the necessities of the farmers and manufacturers, he advocates measures for their good. Married April 23, 1890, to Miss Minnie, daughter of Walter Watson, a leading manufacturer and merchant of Fayetteville. Has two children, both Democratic boys. Was United States Commissioner during Cleveland's administration, but resigned when Harrison came in office. Mr. Cook was elected by a majority of 425, over Republican and People's Party combined. On Judiciary, Insurance, Counties, Cities, Towns and Townships, and Judiciary Committee on Assignment bill. A Presbyterian. There are few better Representatives in the House branch of the General Assembly.

Cumberland, ALEXANDER THAGARD, Cedar Creek.

Born in Cumberland County September 23, 1839; was raised on a farm, and attended the public schools for a few years.

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Married to Miss Elizabeth C. Underwood, of same county, April 21, 1867, and has eleven children. Deacon in the Missionary Baptist Church. In the fall of 1862 he volunteered to work in Navy at Wilmington two months; then joined Lee's Army, at Petersburg, Virginia, in Company E, Forty-fourth Regiment North Carolina State Troops. For about six months he was promoted to staff officer. October 14, 1863, he was wounded in left arm, causing a resection of four inches of the main bone, and was afterwards placed on the retired list.

He has been living quietly on the farm since, and held no position until, in the Democratic Convention in the fall of 1892, was nominated for the Legislature and elected over fusion of Republicans and People's Party by a majority of 500 votes. At present he is serving on following committees: Propositions and Grievances, Agriculture, Asylums.

Currituck, APOLLOS O. DEY, Currituck Court-house.

Born in Currituck County, November 22, 1841; was raised on a farm and received only a partial education in the common schools; and at the age of fourteen years entered and spent two years at Wake Forest College. Volunteered and enlisted in army in spring of 1861 in private ranks of Company F, Forty-first Virginia, Mahone's Brigade. Wounded at Battle of Seven Pines, June 1, 1862, and the following month was discharged and returned home.

Married Miss Lula A. Ferebee, November 27, 1862, and has seven living children. Purely Democratic. In 1870, chosen Clerk Superior Court, and kept that office for ten years, as long as he desired. Served as Chairman Board County Commissioners for many years. Elected to House over fusion of Republicans and People's Party and Independent Democrat, and came within nineteen votes of getting a majority over all of his opponents. Captain Dey is a member of the following committees: Finance, Asylums, and Fish and Fisheries.

Dare, ISRAEL B. MIDGETT, Rodanthe.

Born in Hyde (now Dare) County, August 18, 1849. Received a limited education at the common schools of the county. Married Miss Nancy W. Ballance, of Hyde County, June 26, 1870, and has seven children. Member of the Methodist church. Farmer on a small scale, but boating, fishing and gathering oysters, is his chief occupation, which he finds quite profitable, the supply of his goods being always plentiful. Been in politics all his life, beginning by voting the straight Democratic ticket and has never varied therefrom. For ten years has been a Justice of the Peace, and was elected County Commissioner

in June, 1892. Held the position of principal keeper of Life-Saving Station on the Eastern coast for nine years. He was nominated by the county Democracy, and elected to the present General Assembly over his opponent by a majority of 105 votes. On Committees on Public Buildings and Grounds, and Fish and Fisheries.

Davidson, JOHN CLINTON THOMAS, Midway.

Born in Davidson County, June 13, 1842, where he has always lived and engaged in farming; in youth he learned the tanner's trade, but never followed it. Received a limited education in the common schools of the country. Married Miss Crissie M. Sink, of Davidson County, September 20, 1860, and unto this union are eight living children. Mrs. Thomas died November 27, 1886, and he has since married Miss Jennette Siceloff, of the same county, and they have two children living. He has been a steward in the Southern Methodist Church for twenty-five years. For a number of years has been Deputy Sheriff of this county. In the fall of 1892 was nominated by acclamation by the county Democracy, and after a lively campaign had ended the result was that Mr. Thomas was declared the Representative by a plurality of 143 votes over two opponents, Republican and People's Partyite. He is on the Committee on Agriculture, Roads and Turnpikes, and Insane Asylums.

Davie, WILEY R. ELLIS, Elbaville.

Born in Davie County, June 25, 1845, raised on the farm and educated in the common schools. Entered the army September, 1864, in Company B, Tenth Virginia Cavalry, Chambliss' Brigade, Lee's division. Was captured, April 4, 1865, and imprisoned at Point Lookout and not released until June 26. Married Miss Sallie F. Mock, of Davidson County, November 14, 1876, and has one daughter. Steward in Southern Methodist Church. Has spent his life farming, and never held any position, excepting eight years manufacturing tobacco and serving in the Internal Revenue Department. Was Justice of the Peace for several years. Elected to present Legislature as Republican over Democrat by 133 votes. Serving on the following Committees: Privileges and Election, Counties, Cities and Towns, Agriculture, and Enrolled Bills.

Duplin, ALFRED D. WARD, Kenansville.

Born in Duplin County, December 25, 1859. Raised on the farm and educated at the State University, graduating in the

class of June, 1885, in the degree of Ph. B. Taught school for one year in his native county. Studied law under Hon. John Manning. Received license October, 1886, and has since practiced his profession with success in Kenansville. Married Miss Carolina Virginia, daughter of William Farrow, of Duplin, and has one daughter. In 1890 was elected Chairman of the Democratic County Executive Committee. In the fall of 1892 he was nominated and elected by his party over a fusion of Republicans and People's Party, by a safe majority. Mr. Ward is a young man and inexperienced in legislative work, but the course he pursued has been a wise and conservative one, and worthy of example. He is serving on the following committees: Judiciary, Banks and Currency, Railroads and Railroad Commission, Education, Joint Committee on University and Justices of the Peace, and chairman Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns.

Durham, FRANK L. FULLER, Durham.

Born in Fayetteville, N. C., January 14, 1868, a son of Judge T. C. Fuller, and is just twenty-five years of age. His parents moved to Raleigh while young Fuller was only five years old, and his education was obtained from Fray & Morson, Raleigh, Horner School and Davidson College. He left the latter institution in 1886 and moved to Durham, and for nine months engaged in real estate. In the fall of 1887 received an appointment in the National Museum at Washington. In the spring of 1888 returned to Raleigh and read law in his father's office, and in the fall of same year attended the law school of Colonel George N. Folk, in Caldwell County, and in February, 1889, was admitted to the bar, and has since practiced his profession in Durham, and since March, 1892, in connection with his brother, under the firm name of Fuller & Fuller. He has never been in politics save to vote and work for the Democratic ticket, until the fall of 1892, when he was chosen to represent his county in the House branch of the General Assembly, and was elected over People's Party and Prohibitionist candidates by a plurality of 174 votes. Mr. Fuller is serving on the following committees: Judiciary, Corporations, Privileges and Elections, Health, World's Fair, and Chairman Insurance. Yet very young he has the promise of great usefulness. Married Miss Lilian, daughter, of James R. Day, of Durham, November 23, 1892, directly after his election.

Edgecombe, WILLIAM L. BARLOW, Tarboro.

Born in Edgecombe County, September 15, 1854, and raised on the same plantation he now lives, and is engaged in farming. Is the ninth of ten sons of David Barlow, a prominent

farmer. He was educated at the Horner School, and the Industrial University, of Champaign, Illinois.

Married Miss Hattie, daughter of B. G. Howell, of Edgecombe County, July 15, 1880, and has two sons and two daughters. Was business agent and treasurer of his county Alliance for two years. He had charge of an experimental farm for several years, under the agricultural department during their existence. Mr. Barlow is a quiet and industrious citizen, and always voted the straight Democratic ticket, but never held any public office until nominated by acclamation by his county Democracy, and elected over three opposing candidates by over 400 majority. He is serving on committees on Railroads and Railroad Commission, and Penal Institutions.

Edgecombe, JESSE BRAKE, Rocky Mount.

Born in Edgecombe County, February 20, 1844, and raised on a farm; was educated in county schools, and after the age of ten years had to remain at home. Received most of his knowledge from reading newspapers. At the age of seventeen years he volunteered and enlisted in the army in Company S, Thirty-sixth North Carolina heavy artillery, and spent the entire war in eastern North Carolina, until January 15, 1865 when he was captured, at Fort Fisher, and taken to Elmira Prison where he remained until June 13, 1865. Always lived on the farm granted by his fourth ancestry. Was married to Miss Elizabeth A. Thomas, same county, June 30, 1872. Has eleven children. Mr. Brake is practically a farmer, and has never been in public life, save as School Committeeman and Justice, until the fall of 1890, when he was nominated by acclamation by the Democratic party to represent his county in the Legislature. Was elected over two opponents (Republicans) by a plurality of 550 votes. He was again nominated without opposition in 1892 and was elected, by a plurality of 450 votes, against two Republicans and one People's Partyite. Was a member of the Grange and the Alliance, and encouraged agriculture. Serving on the following Committees: Propositions and Grievances, Agriculture, Claims, and Inauguration.

Forsyth, CYRUS B. WATSON, Winston.

Born in Forsyth County, January 14, 1845, and is a son of John Watson. Raised on the farm and received his education at the common schools, with the exception of two years at Kernersville Academy. At the age of seventeen years he volunteered and enlisted in the Confederate Army, and was a Sergeant in Company K, Forty-fifth North Carolina Regiment, Daniel's Brigade, in Northern Virginia. Wounded and perma-

nently disabled in battles at Williamsport, Maryland, and also Spottsylvania Court-house, May 19, 1864, and was brought home and remained in bed until fall of the same year. Returned and remained until Lee's surrender. In 1867, read law with General J. M. Leach; admitted to the bar in June, 1867, and has since been practising in Winston with success.

Married Miss A. E., daughter of W. P. Henley, November 14, 1869, and has four children. He was elected to the State Senate in 1883 by over 1,300 Democratic majority. At a time when a strong man was needed, he was nominated by his county Democracy during the last campaign; and he was elected by a good majority over both Republican and People's Party candidates. Mr. Watson is a strong and forcible speaker, and an able representative on the floor, and on the following committees: Banks and Currency, of which he is chairman; Judiciary, Pensions, and Penal Institutions.

Forsyth, ALFRED E. SHORE, Bethania.

Born February 18, 1854, in Forsyth County, twelve miles west of Winston, and raised on the farm. Received only a limited education at the public schools. Still living on the same plantation and engaged in agriculture. Married Miss Sarah Poindexter March 18, 1875, who died August 4, 1879. Married again April 19 1881, to Miss Almira Kapp, and has two sons. Has been a Justice of the Peace for several years. During Cleveland's administration he held a revenue position. In the fall of 1892 was nominated by acclamation by the county Democracy, and with his colleague, Mr. Watson, was elected by 550 majority. On Committee on Internal Improvements, Institutions for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, and Insane Asylums.

Franklin, FRANK SHEPHERD SPRUILL, Louisburg.

Born in Martin County, and his parents moved to Halifax during his infancy. Educated at Bingham School and the University of North Carolina. Read law, in connection with other studies, at the latter place, and at February term of the Supreme Court of 1883 he received license, and located in Henderson, where he associated in practice with W. H. Yancey, Esq. In January, 1884, moved to Louisburg, Franklin County, and associated in the practice of his profession with Hon. Joseph J. Davis, until the promotion of that gentleman to the Supreme Court bench, since which time he has continued the practice alone, and with such success that a jurist of his talent merits. In October, 1886, he married Miss Alice, only daughter of Hon. P. H. Winston, of Bertie County, and a sister of Hon. P. H. Winston, United States District Attorney for the State of Wash-

ington, Dr. George T. Winston, President of the North Carolina State University; Hon. F. D. Winston, ex-State Senator of North Carolina, and Hon. R. W. Winston, Judge of the Superior Court of North Carolina. Unto this union have been born two daughters. Is a member of the Episcopal Church.

Mr. Spruill has been Mayor of his town, and has been before offered this same position in the General Assembly and many local positions of prominence, but usually declined to accept them. He was a delegate from the Fourth Congressional District, in 1888, to the National Democratic Convention at Saint Louis, Missouri. In 1891 he was elected a trustee of the State University. In 1892 was elected to the House branch of the General Assembly by a majority of 417 votes over his opponents. He is chairman of the Committee on Railroads and Railroad Commission, and a member of the Committee on Judiciary, Privileges and Elections, Penal Institutions, Rules, and Election of Trustees of the University, and was also chairman of the Inauguration Committee. The fidelity and zeal with which he prosecutes the duties assigned him, upon any question which he conceives to be to the best interest of the State and his constituency, proves his readiness to advocate and defend, whether before the committee or in the House, as he was for the Democratic party in the recent campaign, in which he did such valuable service.

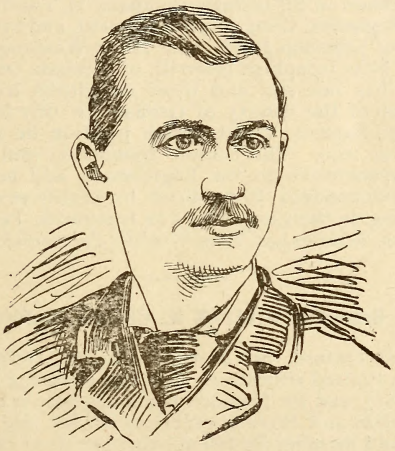
Gaston, JOHN BLAIR WHITE, Dallas.

Was born June 1, 1838, in that part of Lincoln County now Gaston. Was raised and worked on a farm; educated in the common schools of his county. In the fall of 1861 was appointed Clerk of the Court of Equity of his county, and held said office until the adoption of the Constitution in 1868, when said office was abolished. Volunteered, March 1, 1862, in Company H, Forty-ninth Regiment of North Carolina Troops, was appointed Sergeant of said Company, and upon the organization of said Regiment was appointed Commissary Sergeant, and served through the war in the Army of Northern Virginia and was at the surrender of said army at Appomattox Court-house, Virginia, on the 9th day of April, 1865. Returned home after the surrender; worked on a farm and operated a mill. Was elected County Surveyor of his county August, 1870, and re-elected August, 1872. Was elected Clerk of the Superior Court of his county August, 1878, re-elected November, 1882, and was again re-elected November, 1886. Was married March 11, 1881. Since the expiration of his term of office was appointed a Justice of the Peace, and was elected Mayor of the town of Dallas, April, 1892. Was elected a member of the House of Representatives, November 8, 1892, as Democrat, receiving 1,578 votes against 1,228 votes for L. L. Jenkins (Republican), and 337 votes

for J. M. Sloan (People's Party); is a member of the Committee on Finance, Salaries and Fees, on Public Roads and Turnpikes, on Health, and on the Joint Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Gates, MILLS R. EURE, Gatesville.

Born October 16, 1868, in Gatesville, the county seat of Gates, and the oldest son of ex-Judge M. L. Eure, for eight years an honorable member of the Superior Court bench of North Carolina. Received primary course at home, but mainly educated at the State University—graduating in the class of June, 1889,



at the age of twenty years. While in college he was President of the Phi. Literary Society for two terms, and came within one-eighth of a vote of being awarded orator's medal in the senior class by Dr. W. P. Mangum. After completing his college course he was for one year, 1889–'90, principal of Winton High School, and in the fall of 1890 returned to the University and took course in law under Dr. Manning and Chief Justice Shepherd; and was granted license in the fall of 1891, leading in a class of twenty-five applicants, and has since been practicing in Gatesville. Mr. Eure is only twenty-three years of age, but is a most excellent representative, and has the promise of possessing many of the admirable qualities of his father, who is well known and highly respected in North Carolina. He was nominated by acclamation by his county Democracy,

and was elected to the present General Assembly by 600 majority over two opponents—leading the entire ticket by 300 votes. He is on the Judiciary, Educational, Privileges and Elections, Insurance, Health, Military Affairs, Trustees University, and Chairman Library Committee.

Graham, JOHN G. TATHAM, Robbinsville.

Born in Cherokee County, on the beautiful Valley river, March 11, 1844. Was reared on the farm, and has followed that vocation. Educated only at the common schools. At the beginning of the war he volunteered and enlisted in the first company raised in his county, Company D, Twenty-fifth North Carolina Regiment, Clingman's Regiment, and served until the surrender of Jefferson Davis, near Little Washington, Georgia.

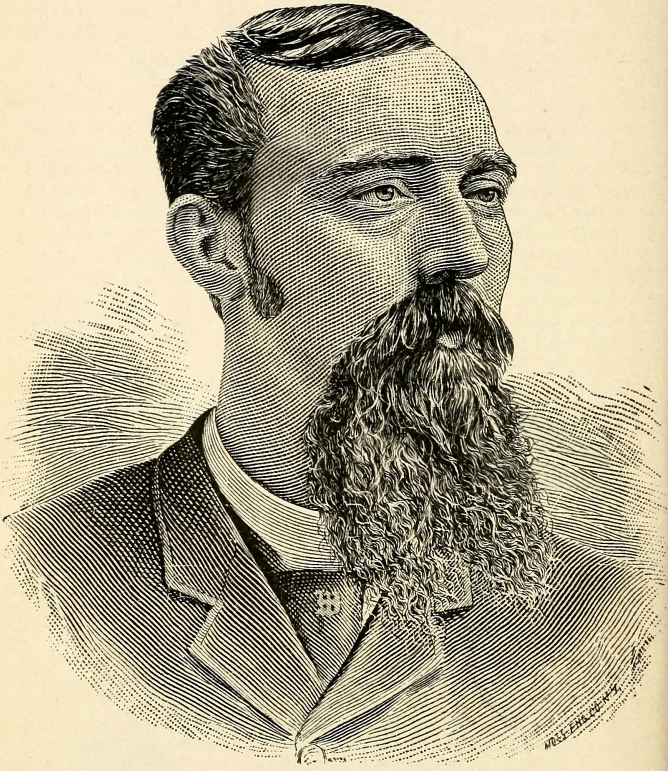
Married Miss Josephine Sherrill, of Graham Oounty, May 4, 1870, and has one son and three daughters living. At the organization of the county of Graham in 1872 he was chosen Clerk of the Superior Court, which position he has held continuously to 1890. The county Democracy put him out for their Representative to the Legislature, and he was elected over an Independent Republican by eighty-seven majority. He is serving on the Committees on Insurance, Pensions, Penal Institutions, Salaries and Fees, World's Fair, and Enrolled Bills.

Granville, WILLIAM H. CREWS, Oxford.

Born near Oxford, in Granville County, October 11, 1843. Received a limited education. He was elected a Justice of the Peace in 1878, and for fourteen years has been a constable and deputy sheriff, and Street Commissioner for one year. He is a farmer, and member for twenty-three years of the Missionary Baptist church, and for sixteen years treasurer, and also auditor Shiloh Association. He is also school committeeman in his county. He represented Granville County in the House branch of the Legislature in 1874–'76, and again in 1892, to the present Legislature, together with his colored colleague, was elected as a Republican over the Democrats by 145, and over the People's Party by 472. He is serving on the Committee on Education and Insane Asylums. Married Miss Sarah E. Taylor, March 20, 1870, and has eight children.

Granville, TASWELL L. TAYLOR, Oxford.

Born in Granville County, July 3, 1860. Received only a limited education, and is a carpenter by trade. Has been a



PROF. MARTIN H. HOLT, JOINT PRINCIPAL OAK RIDGE INSTITUTE, CHAIRMAN HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

member of the African Methodist Zion church for fifteen years, and Superintendent Sunday-school ten years. Is trustee and treasurer of the Quarterly Conference, and trustee of the Carr Academy at Norwood, Stanly County. Married Miss Kittie Ridly, May 21, 1884, and has three children. Is, like his brother colored colleague, a Republican in politics, and was elected by the same majority over his two opponents. He is serving on the Educational and Deaf and Dumb Committees.

Greene, WILLIAM M. CARRAWAY, Snow Hill.

Was born in Greene County, August 24, 1842. Raised on a farm and received a limited education in the common schools. Volunteered and enlisted in Company F, Sixty-first Regiment, Clingman's Brigade, near the beginning of the war, where he served his country for the entire term to the surrender at Kinston, April 18, 1865, without injury. On returning to his farm November 24, 1869, was married to Miss Leodica Murphy, of the same county, and has one boy and girl each. Never in public office, only having served for a number of years as superintendent of the county poor house and a Justice of the Peace. Was nominated in 1891 for the Legislature, but would not accept, and again in 1892, and was elected over Republicans and People's Party by a majority of 215 votes. Serving on Committee on Roads and Turnpikes, and Fish and Fisheries. He is an Elder in the Free-Will Baptist church.

Guilford, MARTIN H. HOLT, Oak Ridge.

Is now thirty-eight years old, having first seen the light at Hillsdale, in the northern portion of Guilford County. When he was two years old his parents moved to Oak Ridge, where he has since resided. He belongs to that well-known Alamance family of Holts, which for a hundred years has given the State safe legislators, progressive manufacturers, successful men in all branches of business, and last, but not least, one of its best and most honored Governors. Educated at Oak Ridge and under private tutors, during and soon after the war. Professor Holt began his career as teacher in 1872. Although meeting with success from the first, his wisest move was the formation of the partnership of J. A. & M. H. Holt, and the establishment of Oak Ridge Institute in 1878. The combined energy of the two brothers has made their names and that of their institution household words throughout this and other States. This school is their monument. It has benefited hundreds of young men all over the State and the South. It justly boasts of the finest buildings and equipments of any private school in the South, and it is all private property. Professor Holt

was married in 1878 to Miss Mary Lambeth, of Hillsdale, N. C., and has two children living. Professor Holt, like numbers of others in the present Legislature, did not seek the office. It was thrust on him, and he was elected by a handsome majority. He was appointed, almost by common consent, as Chairman of the Committee on Education, for which his life-work peculiarly fits him. He is also on Internal Improvements, Deaf and Dumb Institutions, Library, Inauguration and Enrolled Bills committees. He is a gentleman of superior intelligence, moral character and religious attainments, and is a most excellent representative. Is an officer in the Methodist church.

Guilford, JOEL HENRY GILMER, Greensboro,

Is in his forty-fifth year, having been born in Guilford County, October 15, 1848. He belongs to a family which for half a century has been one of the most prominent in Piedmont Carolina in law and in politics, as well as in less pretentious lines of work. Mr. Gilmer was raised on the farm and his education was obtained in such schools as the Confederacy furnished, and of course it extended no further than ordinary English branches. Soon after reaching years of maturity his fine judgment secured for him an appointment as Justice of the Peace. As deputy sheriff for a number of years, and as sheriff for two terms his fine business qualities became well known to his countrymen, and they have since honored him with a seat as a member of the board of County Commissioners, an office which he resigned on his election as Representative. While not an orator, Mr. Gilmer belongs to that sturdy yeomanry whose saving common sense is the hope of this country. By his industry and economy he has amassed a competency. Guilford may congratulate herself on her Representative. The present Legislature has shown its good judgment by appointing him to prominent places on the following committees: Salaries and Fees, Asylums, Finance, Penal Institutions, and Pensions. Married Miss Mallie L. daughter of Col. J. A. Pritchett, of Guilford, August 22, 1872. He is a deacon in the Alamance Presbyterian Church, the oldest in the county, which was served for one hundred years by only two pastors.

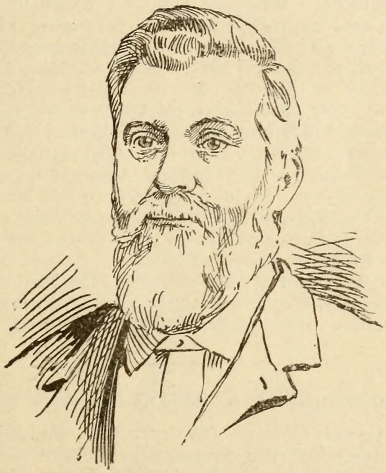
Halifax, WILLIAM H. KITCHIN, Scotland Neck.

Born in Lauderdale County, Alabama, December 22, 1836, His parents returned to Halifax County, North Carolina, when he was four years of age. Raised on a farm, and educated at Emry and Henry College, Virginia. Left college before completing his education and volunteered; enlisted in the Second Regiment, North Carolina Volunteers, at Norfolk;

served as a private until the battle of Chancellorsville in the spring of 1863, when he was promoted to Captain of Company I of the same regiment. Was wounded May 12, 1864, in the battle of Spottsylvania Court House; taken prisoner by the enemy and was among the six hundred prisoners near Charleston, under retaliation, where he was kept until the surrender, when he was released. Captain Kitchin made a valiant soldier and an efficient officer in the Confederacy.

Married Miss Maria F. Arrington, of Halifax County, January 6, 1864, and has nine sons and two daughters living.

He entered the political arena immediately after the surrender, his first speech being against the force of Republicanism



in North Carolina by Swepson, Littlefield, and others, and has ever since talked Democracy. He studied law and was granted license in 1869, and has since practiced his profession in Halifax County. In the fall of 1872 he was nominated for Congress in the Second District and defeated, but reduced the Republican majority 4,000 votes. Was again nominated in 1878 and then elected by 2,100 majority—the first Democrat elected in that district since the war. Served for two years and was renominated in 1880, when he was defeated by a small majority. In 1884 was Elector-at-Large on the Cleveland ticket, and did excellent work in the campaign. Edited the *Scotland Neck Democrat* from 1883 to 1887, since which time he has been practicing his profession and farming. In the fall of 1892 was the unanimous choice for the Legislature, and was elected by a majority of over twenty-two hundred votes over his oppo-

nents. Is chairman of the Committee on Insane Asylums, and a member of committees on Judiciary, Penal Institutions, Internal Improvements, and Public Printing. Captain Kitchin is an unterrified Democrat, and has taken active part in every campaign since Lee surrendered. He is well informed, a forcible speaker, and never fails to merit the attention of his audience.

Halifax, FRANK H. TAYLOR, Aurelian Springs.

Born June 6, 1861, in Mecklenburg County, Virginia. Son of John H. Taylor and Ann M. Taylor, *nee* Miss Young. Located in North Carolina. Went to Trinity College in 1878, and left there at the end of his junior year, following the business of commercial traveler for different wholesale merchants of Northern cities until the fall of 1885. Married Miss Hattie E. Perkins, daughter of Dr. W. M. Perkins, of Halifax County, November 18, 1885, in which county he located as a farmer, and has two sons and two daughters. Was nominated unanimously in the Democratic County Convention to represent his county in the House branch of the General Assembly, and was elected by a majority of near 2,000 over the People's Party candidate, endorsed by the Republican party. Is serving on the following committees: Counties, Cities and Towns, Military Affairs, Education, Privileges and Elections, Joint Committee on Library, and Election of the Justices of the Peace. Mr. Taylor and his colleague, Captain Kitchin, are well representing Halifax's Democracy in the present Legislature.

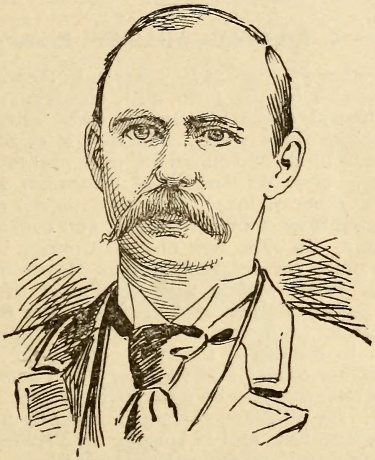
Harnett, NEILL A. SMITH, Bradley's Store.

Born in Harnett County, July 27, 1847. Raised on the farm, and was educated at the common schools of the community. Married Miss Fannie, daughter of Matthew Wilder, and has six living children—four sons and two daughters. Has been a life-long and straightout Democrat, believing its doctrines to be in the interest of the laboring people, of which he is one. Was elected a Justice of the Peace in 1885; elected County Commissioner in 1888, and served four years, and was reëlected in June, 1892. Was nominated by his county democracy as a candidate for the Legislature, and was elected over a fusion by the Republican and People's Party by over 200 majority. He is a member of the Enrolled Bills and other committees.

Haywood, ROBERT D. GILMER, Waynesville.

Born in Mt. Airy, Surry County, and is thirty-three years old. Entered Emory and Henry College, Virginia, at the age of nine-

teen years, but did not complete his education. He was elected president of the Hermesian Literary Society, and was honored by receiving the debater's medal given by the society at the Commencement of 1880. In 1881 he studied law with Dick and Dillard and was admitted to the bar in June of the same year, and located and practiced in Mt. Airy for four years. On February 26, 1884, was married to Miss Love Brannon, daughter of the late Col. Joseph Brannon, of Asheville, and unto this union has been born one son and one daughter. He located in Waynesville September 30, 1885, and has since been practicing his profession with marked success in that beautiful mountain town. In 1886 he was chosen chairman of the Democratic



Executive Committee of Haywood County and served until 1890, at which time he was nominated, by acclamation, by the Democratic Convention as a Representative in the General Assembly for 1891, and was elected by 700 majority. During that session Mr. Gilmer was chairman of the Educational Committee and was instrumental in obtaining some wise legislation for the education of the children of our State. He also did effective service on the Committee on Railroads and Railroad Commission. In 1890 he was also made chairman of the Executive Committee of the Twelth Judicial District, which position he still holds. He has held local positions and has been mentioned for many higher positions, which have been unsought. In the fall of 1892 he was again nominated for a second term in the House, and elected by a handsome majority. Prior to the organization of the present Legislature he was prominently

mentioned for Speaker, but refused to allow his name to go before the caucus, and supported Mr. Overman. He is serving on the following Committees: Chairman Corporations, and member Education, Railroads and Railroad Commission, Judiciary, Privileges and Election, Federal Relations, and Election of Trustees of the State University. Mr. Gilmer has done excellent service in Western North Carolina in the Democratic Party, and his course in the Legislature has been useful to the State, and creditable to himself and constituency. He is a fluent speaker and a superior debater, and on important questions he is usually found in advocacy for the right. Is author of the book, "Trial of the Sparrow for Killing Cock Robin."

Henderson, JONATHAN WILLIAMS, Hendersonville.

Born December 31, 1846, at Fletcher's, in Henderson County; raised and worked on the farm until eighteen years old, and received a liberal education by his own individnal efforts. Taught school for three years. Married Miss Sallie Clayton, of Buncombe County, November 18, 1875, and has one son and one daughter. Mrs. Williams died December 25, 1891. Has held quite a number of local positions of honor and trust. In 1874 was elected Sheriff of his county, and continued in office for eight years. In 1884 was elected County Treasurer and continued in office for six years. Was Mayor of Hendersonville for four years, and is now a member of the Board of Directors of Judson College and agent for the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company and Southern Express Company in his town. In the fall of 1892 was nominated by the Republican party of his county and was elected as a member of the present General Assembly by a majority of over 300 votes over his opponent. Mr. Williams is a superior gentleman and makes a good Representative, and is serving on Privileges and Elections, Penal Institutions, and other committees.

Hertford, WILLIAM PATRICK TAYLOR, Winton.

Born in Hertford County, March 10, 1848, and attended the common schools for only eleven months. At the age of eighteen years he volunteered and enlisted in the Confederate army, in Company G, Thirty-first Regiment, and served for two years, when, in 1863, he was commissioned by Governor Vance as First Lieutenant in the Sixty-eighth North Carolina Regiment, in which position he served to the surrender, in April, 1865. Married Miss Sarah M. Mitchell, of Hertford County, February 15, 1866, and has four children. Engaged in the mercantile business for five years, but at present he is doing an extensive business in the manufacture of lumber. At the Democratic Convention was nominated by acclamation,

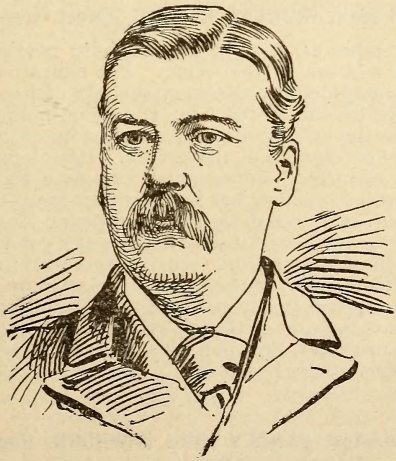
and elected over a fusion of the People's Party and Republicans by a handsome majority. Is serving on the following committees: Finance, Corporations, Roads and Turnpikes and Election of Justices of the Peace.

Hyde, DAVID H. CARTER, Fairfield.

Is a son of Colonel W. S. Carter, and was born at Fairfield, in Hyde County, December 29, 1855. Was raised a farmer, which vocation he has since followed. Only received a limited education in the common schools of the community.

Was married to Miss Jennie W. Simmons, February 25, 1883. Has been a Democrat all his life. Served four years as a Justice of the Peace, and for four years as Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee for his county. Was nominated and elected to the present General Assembly by the Democratic party, and is here serving his constituents faithfully and conscientiously. He is Chairman of the Committee on Fish and Fisheries, and member of the Committee on Penal Institutions.

Iredell, JOHN R. McLELLAND, Mooresville.



Is a son of the late Dr. J. A. McLelland, who died in 1860, a prominent physician of the southern portion of Iredell, in which county the subject of this sketch was born, September

30, 1850. Was educated in the private schools of the community and at Statesville, under Hill and Burke. He began the study of medicine in the fall of 1871, graduated at Washington University of Baltimore in the spring of 1873; located at Mooresville, and has since practiced his profession with marked success—he and his associate, Dr. S. W. Stevenson, doing the leading practice in that section.

Married Miss Mary D., daughter of Dr. Samuel Rankin, of Rowan County, November, 1879. Unto this union was born three sons and one daughter. Mrs. McLelland died July, 1888. The Doctor has given his entire attention to the medical profession, and has never taken any part in politics, excepting to work and vote for the Democratic ticket. He was put to the front by the Democratic Convention as a candidate for the House of Representatives. He accepted the honor for the sake of his party, and after making the campaign, he was elected over both of his opponents of the Republican and People's Party by 250 majority. He is on the following committees: Chairman Health, and member Railroad, and Railroad Commission, Insane Asylums, and Public Printing; and in his hands the affairs of the State are safe, and his constituency should be congratulated for their selection of such a member.

Iredell, RICHARD E. KING, Sweet Home.

Born November 24, 1856, in the northern portion of Iredell County, and is a son of Joel King. His education is limited, having only attended the common schools of his community, and has spent his life on the farm, engaging in agriculture and milling, with the exception of a few years directly after he was grown, when he clerked in Statesville. His claims have been urged for a County Commissioner, also as a member of the County Board of Finance; but he has never sought public position. He was nominated by the Democratic Convention, in the fall of 1892, without his solicitation, as a candidate for the House branch of the present General Assembly; and with his honored colleague, Dr. McLelland, was elected by 250 majority over his two opponents, Republican and People's Party. He is a member of the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, Roads and Turnpikes, Enrolled Bills, Military Affairs, and Election of Justices of the Peace.

Johnston, YANCEY JOHN LAWHORN, Rome.

Born November 29, 1842, in Johnston County. Raised on a farm; educated in the common schools. Volunteered as a private in Company E, Twenty-fourth North Carolina Regiment; was soon appointed Sergeant, and soon after appointed

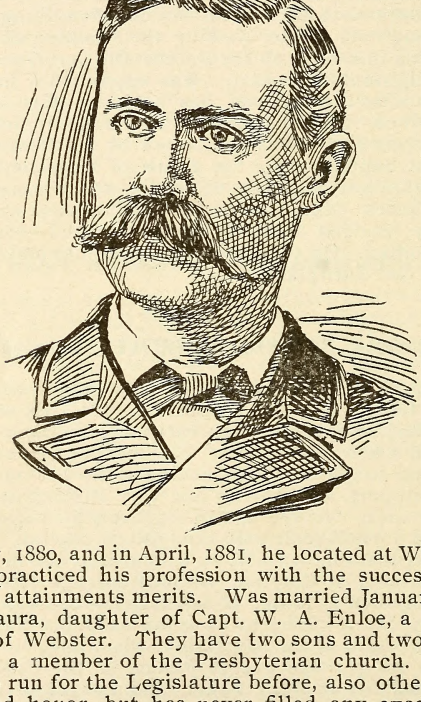
Orderly Sergeant. At the reorganization of the regiment at the end of the first year, he was elected Second Lieutenant. Participated with his company in the seven days fight around Richmond; also at Sharpsburg, Fredericksburg, and other places. Then resigned his commission and volunteered in Company B, Tenth North Carolina Battalion Heavy Artillery, then stationed at Wilmington, N. C. It was not long before he was elected Second Lieutenant, and soon after that was promoted to First Lieutenant to fill a vacancy caused by a resignation, and held that position until the end of the war. Received not a wound, but was confined in hospital by sickness twenty days during the war. Came home, reëntered the farm, and on May 10, 1886, married Mary A. Hood, daughter of J. C. Hood, Esq. Seven children were born to this union—five living, three sons and two daughters. After viewing the situation after the war, he connected himself with the Democratic party, and has since been a straightout Democrat. Was appointed a Justice of the Peace soon after the war, and has held the office almost continuously since. Served as County Commissioner for four years about ten years ago. Was nominated by the Democratic Convention last September for the House of Representatives, and at the election in November received 3,131 votes, and his opponent, the fusion candidate of the Republicans and People's Party, only received about fourteen hundred—majority over sixteen hundred. On committees Propositions and Grievances, and Roads and Turnpikes.

Johnston, RAYFORD B. WHITLEY, Earpsboro,

Born, March 19, 1862, on a small farm in Johnston County, left by his father, who died October 20, 1861. He was the only child and was compelled at an early age to work to support himself and a widowed mother. She married again seven years later and his stepfather died leaving a mother and two little sisters to support, and having but very limited opportunities for an education. At the age of eighteen he began a market business on a small scale with only $10.50 capital. In 1888 he formed a partnership with W. E. Richardson and did a farmers' supply business, at Clayton, without success. Returned and is still engaged in farming. Is a member of the Baptist Church. Began his political career by carrying a Tilden flag with Zeb Vance at the head of the procession, when only fourteen years old. Held no position except Justice of the Peace, but has always voted the straight ticket, and has done his part in securing the flag for Johnston as the banner Democratic county in the State. He was nominated for the House and elected to the present Legislature over his opponent by a majority of 1,725. Is serving on Committees on Privileges and Elections, Insane Asylums, and Military Affairs.

Jackson, WALTER E. MOORE, Webster.

Born October 14, 1856, near the Asheville Sulphur Springs in Buncombe County, and is a son of the late W. H. Moore. Received only a common school education at Sand Hill and Candler's in his native county. He labored on the farm during the summer season and attended school in winter until about nineteen years of age, when he learned the carpenter's trade, at which he worked and studied law; afterwards attended the law school of Dick & Dillard at Greensboro; obtained license



in January, 1880, and in April, 1881, he located at Webster, and has since practiced his profession with the success a young man of his attainments merits. Was married January 10, 1883, to Miss Laura, daughter of Capt. W. A. Enloe, a prominent merchant of Webster. They have two sons and two daughters living. Is a member of the Presbyterian church. Has been solicited to run for the Legislature before, also other positions of trust and honor, but has never filled any except County Attorney, which place he has held ever since going to Jackson. In the fall of 1892 was nominated by his county Democracy, and was elected over the Republicans and People's Party combined by 166 majority to the House branch of the present General

Assembly. He is serving on the following committees: Judiciary, Privileges and Elections, Fish Interests, and Election of Trustees of the University, and is chairman of the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Moore is a Democrat of the purest metal and has the promise of becoming as worthy and efficient a statesman as he has already attained as a member of the legal profession. His course here has been wise and conservative, and if pursued will likely develop him for positions of greater honor and usefulness in the State.

Jones, JOHN C. PARKER, Oliver's.

Born in Lenoir County, August 12, 1845, was raised on a farm and educated at the common schools of the county. At the age of seventeen years volunteered and enlisted in Company D, Sixty-sixth Regiment, Kirkland's Brigade, Hoke's Division, and served until March, 1865, when he was captured and imprisoned at Hart's Island, New York, where he remained until June, returning home on the 29th. Married Miss Zilpha M., daughter of L. E. Hardy, of Greene Co., and has two Democratic boys. Has been a staunch Democrat since casting his first vote for Horace Greely, but never held any position except Justice of the Peace, until received nominated in the fall of 1892, by acclamation, and was elected over fusion of Republican and People's Party by 151 votes majority, to the present General Assembly. Serving on the Committees on Finance, Banks and Currency, Penal Institutions, and Fish and Fisheries.

Lenoir, EDWARD J. BROOKS, Grifton.

Born in Pamlico County, January 20, 1843. Received a common-school education. Entered the Confederate service at the age of eighteen, enlisting in Company I, Second North Carolina Infantry, as a private; was in active service with said regiment until the battle of Sharpsburg, when he was severely wounded in the neck and breast, left on the field and was taken prisoner. Rejoined his command in time to be engaged in the battle of the Wilderness; was promoted to Orderly Sergeant; was taken prisoner again at Kelly's Ford, Virginia, November 7, 1863; was held at Point Lookout, Maryland, until the close of the war. Married January 21, 1869, in Lenoir County, to Miss Pattie Brooks, and has seven children. He is engaged in farming. Vestryman in Saint Mary's Episcopal Church. Was the Democratic candidate for Register of Deeds in 1878, but was defeated by the Republican candidate. Was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 1883, and has served to the present. time. Was elected and served as a member of the Inferior Court for the two last years, until the court was abolished.

Served as a member of the Board of Education in 1889; re-elected in 1891, but resigned in November, 1892. Elected a member of the House of Repesentatives November 8, 1892. On the committees on Fish Interests, Deaf and Dumb, Appointment of Justices of the Peace, and Blind.

Lincoln, WILLIAM L. CROUSE, Crouse.

Born July 29, 1849, at his present home. Is the son of David Crouse, and was educated at Catawba High School. Was married to Miss Stowe, daughter of S. D. Stowe, of York County, South Carolina, on June 10, 1871, and three children have blessed their union. Studied medicine under Dr. U. L. Brown, of Lincolnton; afterwards attended and graduated in medicine at the Washington University, of Maryland (1870–'71–'72–'73), and since then has been continually in practice of his profession and farming. Has four times been elected to the General Assembly—three times to the House, in 1883, 1885 and 1893, and to the Senate in 1887—each time by a good majority, and the last time over a fusion candidate of the Republicans and People's Party. The Doctor is a safe Representative, and looks well to the interest of his people as well as to the good of the State. He is chairman of the Committee on Roads and a member of committees on Deaf and Dumb, Insane Asylums, Corporations, and Internal Improvements.

Macon, J. FRANK RAY, Franklin,

Born in Macon County in 1855 and is a son of John Ray, of that county. He was educated at Franklin High School and afterwards studied law, and has been practicing the legal profession five years, having received license in February, 1888. Was married to Miss Josephine Foutz, of Macon County, December 26, 1889 and has two children. Besides local positions, Mr. Ray has been four times elected to the House branch of the General Assembly, viz: In 1881–'83–'91–'93, and every time by a good majority. He is a brilliant young man, and has been quite successful as a lawyer and as a lawmaker. He is chairman of the Committee on Propositions and Grievances and a member of the Judiciary, and Privileges and Election.

Martin, M. THOMAS LAWRENCE, Hamilton.

Was born in Edgecombe County, July 23, 1848, where he remained until grown. Attended the common schools and a few months at Hillsboro Military School. Moved to Martin January, 1872, and engaged in farming. Married Miss Alice

House, of Martin, March, 1875, who died in about six years. Married again to her sister, Miss Linda House, in March, 1882, who lived about five years. Married again to the former's cousin, Miss Naomi House, Oct. 16, 1889. Joined the Primitive Baptist church September, 1873, and was licensed as a minister 1888, and fully ordained in 1880, since which time he has served three churches. Lives a quiet life, having only been town commissioner and school committeeman. In his absence at the Democratic Convention in the fall of 1892, was nominated by acclamation for the Legislature from Martin County, and was elected over a fusion of Republicans and People's Party by a majority of 230 votes. He is a member of committee on Propositions and Grievances, Fish and Fisheries, Salaries and Fees, and Roads and Turnpikes.

Madison, CHARLES B. MASHBURN, Marshall.

Was born in McDowell County, North Carolina, February 29, 1860, and is a son of Charles Mashburn, who died when young Mashburn was but three years old. Was educated at Burnsville Academy and Mar's Hill College. After leaving school at Mar's Hill College, he taught a public school, after which he was employed as a clerk in a store at Marshall, N. C., with C. L. McPeeters, and remained until 1888. He then studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1890, and is now practicing in Marshall. He had never engaged in politics until he was nominated by the Republican party for the Legislature in 1892, and was elected. His majority over two opposing candidates being 543 votes. Sick, and only arrived near close of session.

McDowell, JOHN C. McCURRY, Marion.

Born September 15, 1837, in Burke County, North Carolina. Educated at Marion and county schools. Was married to Miss Maggie McInturff, of Tennessee, in October, 1867, and has two children. Was County Treasurer for two years, and was a Magistrate during the war. Was raised a farmer, but is now, and has been for twenty-four years, a successful merchant. He has always taken great interest in the success of the Democratic party, in his county especially, which is very close. He was elected to the House in 1883 by 105 majority, and again in the fall of 1892 he was forced to the front, with a hard fight to be made. He entered the field with determination, and was elected by 281 majority, carrying with him the entire Democratic ticket to victory, redeeming the county from Republican rule. He is watchful, and looks well to the interest of the State and his constituents. He is at present chairman of the Committee on Finance, and a member of committees on Agriculture, Insane Asylums, and Counties, Cities and Towns.

Mecklenburg, JOHN R. ERWIN, Shopton.

Born in York County, South Carolina, August 1, 1838. Was raised and educated in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. At the age of seventeen years he entered a general merchandise store in Charlotte, and remained until the war. Enlisted in the service as Lieutenant of Company B, Thirteenth Regiment North Carolina Volunteers, in April, 1861, and in the spring of 1862 was elected Captain of Company F, Fifth Cavalry, in which regiment he served to the close of the war, being in command of the regisment at the surrender. He has been twice married—June 5, 1867, to Miss Jennie, daughter of Major Z. A. Grier, of Mecklenburg County, who died in 1876; and again December 11, 1879, to Miss Sallie, only daughter of Col. W. M. Grier, of same county, and has five living children—two sons by the first wife, and two sons and one daughter by the second wife. He served two terms as Chief Marshal of the city of Charlotte, and twelve years as Clerk of the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County. Four years ago he returned to his country home in Steel Creek Township, which township has the distinction of having never had a white Republican vote cast in it. Captain Erwin has for many years held the position of chairman of the Finance Committee of his county until nominated for the Legislature, which nomination was given him by acclamation and against his wish, but the Democratic party believed him to be the most available man, and his election by 1,760 majority proved the wisdom of the county Democracy in choosing him, This is his first legislative experience, but he has taken a prominent stand for the best interest of the State and his constituency. He is chairman of the Committee on Pensions, and a member of the committees on Penal Institutions, Deaf and Dumb, and Roads and Turnpikes,

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Mecklenburg, JOHN L. JETTON, Davidson,

Born in Mecklenburg County, on the same plantation which was first settled by his grandfather, Lewis Jetton, before the Revolutionary War, and is engaged in farming. Educated at Davidson College, graduating in the Class of 1851. Taught school for several years. In the fall of 1861 he volunteered and enlisted in the Confederate Army in Company C, Thirty-seventh North Carolina Troops, and was, within three months, elected Lieutenant. Served in Commissary Department at New Bern until its capture, by Burnside, in February, 1862. Returned and was elected First Lieutenant of the Home Guard, where he remained until the close of the war. Married Miss Mary A. Potts, May 15, 1872, and has four sons and two daughters. Was County Commissioner for four years. In 1874–'75 was elected and served in the House branch of the General Assembly. In the fall of 1892 was again nominated by the

county Democracy, without his knowledge, for the House, and was elected by over 1600 majority over his People's Party opponent, endorsed by the Republicans. Serving on Committees: Corporation, Agriculture, and Internal Improvements, and he is a good representative.

Mecklenburg's Junior Representative.

With this one exception this work contains a brief biography of every member of the present General Assembly. Also of all of the State officers. The author was unable to obtain the data of Representative Harriss, of Charlotte.

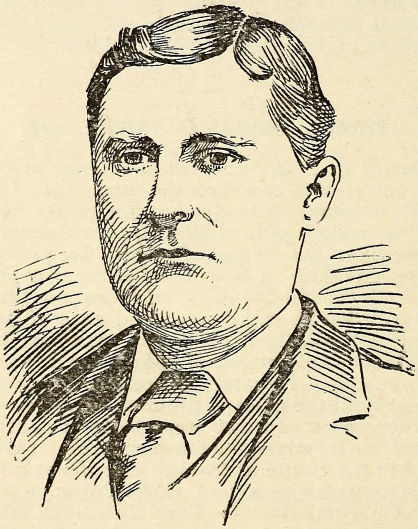
Mitchell, THOMAS D. VANCE, Spear.

Born January 29, 1834, on North Toe River, in Yancey, now Mitchell county. Was raised on the farm by poor parents, and received only a common school education, excepting one session at Valley Crucis High School in Watauga County, where he studied surveying. At the age of twenty-five years he married Miss Elmira, daughter of Matthias Dillinger, April 17, 1859, and has seven boys and five girls, and lived on Linville River until the war, when he volunteered and enlisted in Company A, Fifty-eighth North Carolina Regiment, where he served as Orderly Sergeant until October 16, 1862, when he was discharged at Cumberland Gap. He returned home and took government mail contract until the close of the war. Has been Magistrate for twenty-five years. In 1870 was elected County Surveyor, to which position he was elected in succession for sixteen years. Was elected to the House at the last election as a Republican, by a majority over his opponent, G. H. Bowman, Democrat, of 532 votes. On committee on Blind Institutes, and Deaf and Dumb. He is a good man, and steward in Methodist church.

Montgomery. J. REESE BLAIR, Troy.

The subject of this sketch is a son of Dr. J. H. Blair, and was born, December, 1861, in Chesterfield County, S. C., and his parents moved to Monroe, N. C., when young Blair was only five years of age. He attended Monroe High School until about grown, when he went to Rutherford College for three years, graduating May 24, 1882. He won the honor of Valedictorian over the class of five others at the Commencement exercises. He studied law with Col. George N. Folk, of Caldwell, and was admitted to the bar in the fall of 1884; first locating in

Monroe for two years, then in 1886 moved to Troy and formed a copartnership with J. M. Brown, Esq., the present chief clerk of the House, and has since practiced his profession and enjoyed a good business. Mr. Blair for the past two years has been, and still is, Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of his county, and by his untiring efforts and wise and discrete actions every Democratic nominee was elected, which was the first time for such to occur in its history. He is also a member of the Executive Committees of both the Judicial and Congressional Districts and is ever ready to aid his party.



In the fall of 1892 was nominated by his county Democracy and after a lively campaign he won in the election over his Republican and People's Party opponents by a vote equal to both, to the House branch of the present General Assembly. He is chairman of the Committee on Salaries and Fees and a member of the Committees on Judiciary, Corporations, Internal Improvements, and others. He is decidedly positive in the advocacy of all questions which he believes to be for the best interest of his people. He is unmarried, but how long he will remain so is quite uncertain.

Moore, WILLIAM J. ADAMS, Carthage.

Born at Rockingham, North Carolina, on January 27, 1860, and is a son of Rev. S. D. Adams, of the North Carolina Meth-

odist Conference. Young Adams was prepared for college by Professor Alex. McIver, at Greensboro. Entered Trinity College at the fall term of 1877, and remained there until January 1, 1879, when, on account of a change in the Faculty, entered the Sophomore class at the State University. Graduated from Chapel Hill in 1881, taking the title of A. B., and represented the Dialectic Literary Society as orator at the commencement. Taught school one year, and in 1882 entered the University Law School, under the tuition of Hon. John Manning. Procured license to practice law at the October term of the Supreme Court, 1883. Located at Carthage, and has practiced law there ever since. In 1890 admitted to practice in the Federal courts. Attorney for Moore County from 1886 to December, 1892. In January, 1891, formed a partnership with J. C. Black, Esq., and has since practiced in association with him, under the firm style of Black & Adams. He is an official member of the Southern Methodist Church. Nominated by his county Democracy, and elected to the House branch of the General Assembly 1893, over W. C. Wilcox, Populist, by 767 majority. Mr. Adams is a young man of superior ability and integrity, and his wise and conservative course has rendered him a worthy representative. He is on the following committees: Chairman Internal Improvements, and member on Judiciary, Corporations, Railroads and Railroad Commission, Deaf and Dumb Institutions, and for election of Trustees to the University.

Nash, LUNSFORD A. LOYD, Spring Hope.

Born in Granville County, November 9, 1836. Was raised on a farm, and received only a limited education in the common schools of the county. Married Mrs. Nancy Clark, of Granville County, December 8, 1858. Volunteered and enlisted, May 1, 1862, in Company K, Fifty-fourth North Carolina Regiment; discharged on account of disability after seven weeks. Joined the ministry, and for seven years has been serving the Missionary Baptist Church. Located in Nash County in December, 1889. Never in politics until the fall of 1892, when he was chosen unanimously by the People's Party for the House, and was elected over the Democratic candidate by 157 majority, after throwing out three townships. Has formerly been a Democrat in politics. On committees on Salaries and Fees, and Roads and Turnpikes.

New Hanover, EDGAR G. PARMELEE, Wilmington.

Born in Goldsboro, North Carolina, January 1, 1854; parents moved to Bladen County while young Parmelee was only eleven years of age, where they lived for three years, when

they moved to Wilmington, where he has since lived. In the spring of 1873 he finished his education at Eastman's Business College in Poughkeepsie, New York. Married Miss Lillie B. Jacobs, and has three children—two sons and one daughter. He entered mercantile business, in which he engaged for a number of years. For four years, during Mr. Cleveland's administration, was Inspector of Customs at the Port of Wilmington; since has been engaged in contracting stevedoring. Held no political position in the county, except that of Justice of the Peace, until elected to the House branch of the present General Assembly, winning over his opponents by the handsome majority of 2,411 votes. Mr. Parmelee is an excellent and thorough business gentleman, and is doing good work on the following committees, as well as elsewhere: Finance, Privileges and Elections, Counties, Cities and Towns, Railroads and Railroad Commission, and Health. He is a thorough Democrat, and the recognized leader of his county.

New Hanover, GEORGE W. WESTBROOK, Wrightsville.

Born in Guilford County, May 15, 1860. Moved to Wilson County at the age of fourteen years, and attended Professor Hassell's Institute for some time. Located in New Hanover County at the age of twenty-five years. Since quite a boy has been traveling in the interest of the extensive nurseries of J. S. Westbrook & Co., who have some three hundred acres in strawberries and other vines and plants, which are being shipped extensively over the country. Married Miss Bessie Nixon, of Pender County, July 10, 1891, and has one son. Is a member of Grace Methodist Church in Wilmington. Never held any position, but always a strong advocate for democracy, until he was nominated and elected to the present Legislature, carrying his county by a majority of 2,411 votes. He is serving on the following committees: Education, Agriculture, Insane Asylums and Fish Interests.

Northampton, COLA R. HARRELL, Potecasi.

Born October 23, 1853, in Northampton County. He received only a common school education. Studied no profession, but is a merchant, and owns several farms in Northampton County. Appointed Justice of the Peace by the Legislature of 1879 for six years. Married Miss Mary W., daughter of A. J. Harrell, of same county, November 26, 1880, and has three children. Was elected County Commissioner in 1886, and elected chairman of same 1888, which he held until December, 1892, with only a short interval, when he declined the position as chairman, and elected his friend, James W. Grant, to that position, but still retained his place on said board. Was elected to the

Legislature November 8, 1892, by 515 majority over both the regular Republican and People's Party nominees, although being from a Republican county. He is member of the Finance Committee and Penal Institutions, and is attentive to the duties assigned, and endeavoring to legislate in the interest of those who sent him here.

Onslow, SILAS W. VENTERS, Gum Branch.

Born in Onslow County, March 11, 1836; raised on a farm, and educated at Richland Academy. Volunteered and enlisted in Company B, Twenty-fourth North Carolina Infantry, Ransom's Brigade, in May, 1861; and in May, 1862, was promoted to Second Lieutenant; resigned in 1863, and promoted to First Lieutenant in Company I, Sixty-sixth North Carolina, Kirkland's Brigade, Hoke's Division, where he remained until Johnston's surrender at High Point in May, 1865. Returned to his farm and, December 22, 1870, was married to Miss Laura Hancock, of Onslow County, and has three living children—two boys and one girl. Always farmed, and never would accept any political preferment until when his county Democracy nominated him for the present position by acclamation, and was elected by a majority of 417 votes. On Committees on Fish, Roads and Turnpikes, Health, Buildings and Grounds.

Orange, JAMES NORWOOD, Hillsboro.

Born in Orange County fifty-three years ago; educated between the plow handles, and has spent his entire life in agricultural pursuits, giving especial attention to stock breeding. He was the first man to introduce and own a standard-bred horse (Woodburn Hambletonian), also of Cotswold, Southdown, Hampshire, Shropshire, and other fine breeds of sheep and hogs in North Carolina. By thorough cultivation he has exhibited at the various State Fairs the great producing red lands of Central Carolina. He says that he was sent here in the interest of the farming and laboring classes, elected by the Democratic party over two opponents; and is serving on the following committees: Roads and Turnpikes, Corporations, Education, and Penal Institutions. He is a strong advocate of good roads, having introduced a bill for the better working and maintaining of the same. He is still single, and says many ladies have missed a good opportunity by not accepting his heart.

Pamlico, LEROY HARPER, Maribel,

Born in Pamlico County, September 5, 1838, and is fifty-four years of age; educated at the common schools and is a farmer

by occupation. He made an attempt to enter the Confederate army but was captured by the Northern army, June 6, 1862, and kept in prison until November 25 of the same year, when he was released on the oath of neutrality and remained so. Married Miss Julia A. Brooks, April 4, 1868, and has three boys and one girl. Joined the Free-Will Baptist Church in 1859. Has been a school committeeman for ten years. Has formerly been a Democrat, but was nominated by the People's Party and elected to the present Legislature, over all opposition, and is serving on the committees on Roads and Turnpikes, and Fish and Fisheries.

Pasquotank, HENRY M. PRITCHARD, Elizabeth City.

Born in Pasquotank County; received a common-school education; taught music school for a few years, and then embarked in agricultural pursuits. Married Miss Elizabeth Wood in January, 1885, and has three children. Was a Justice of the Peace for two years, but resigned. In 1892 was nominated by the Republican party (People's Party endorsing), and was elected to the present Legislature by a majority of 534 votes over the Democratic candidate. He is serving on the following committees: Finance, Propositions and Grievances, Enrolled Bills, Deaf and Dumb and Fish and Fisheries.

Pender, ROBERT C. JOHNSON, Burgaw.

Born in Sampson County, September 11, 1826, and was educated at the common schools of the community, and most of his life has been spent quietly on the farm. Married Miss Mary E. Ward, of Duplin County, April 11, 1848, and has four living children. During the war was on Home Guard at Wilmington and Raleigh. For twenty years was naval store inspector at Wilmington. Moved to Pender County in 1880, and is now farming. Was elected by the Democratic party of his county to the House branch of the General Assembly in 1889–'91, and again in 1893, when he was elected over a fusion between the Republicans and People's Party by a majority of 68 votes. Is serving on the Committees on Agriculture, Deaf and Dumb, Insane, and Internal Improvements.

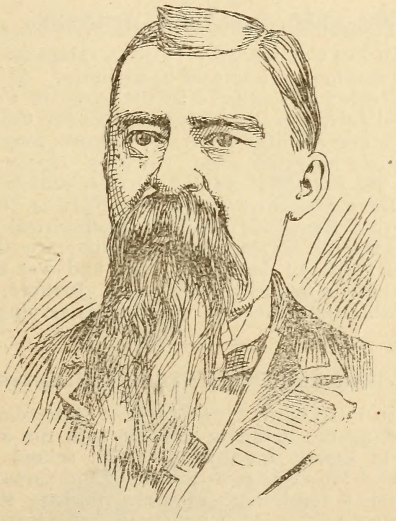
Perquimans, JACOB H. PARKER, Hertford.

Born in Perquimans County, December 22, 1841, and was educated at Hertford Academy. In 1862 he volunteered and joined Lee's army, Company F, 27th Regiment North Carolina Troops, Cook's Brigade, and served until the surrender of Lee, and then joined Johnston's army and served to the surrender

at High Point, April 26, 1865. Was engaged with Lee in all the principal battles in Northern Virginia. Married to Miss Priscilla A. Simpson, of Chowan County, January 4, 1871, and has eight children. Occupation, farmer. Been a Justice of the Peace for many years, and at June meeting was elected County Commissioner. In the fall, at the Peoples' Party Convention, he received the nomination for the Legislature, and was elected over two opposing parties by a majority of 143. Was the nominee of his party for Speaker of the House, and received the entire vote of his party Serving on Committees on Education and Fish Interests.

Person, SAMUEL P. SATTERFIELD, Roxboro.

Was born in Person County, April 27, 1853. Raised on a farm, and educated at the common schools. Was married to



Miss Lou M. Winstead, of Roxboro, N. C., September 24, 1875, and has five children—three boys and two girls. Merchant from 1875 to 1880 in the town of Roxboro. Acted as postmaster from 1872 to 1875. Appointed as United States Commissioner under Hayes' administration and served two years. Elected Town Commissioner of Roxboro in 1884 and served until 1890. Was elected Register of Deeds of Person County in 1882 and served eight years. Was made Entry-taker by the General Assembly

for his county. Served as United States Deputy Internal Revenue Collector under General Grant's administration, and was such at the time of the expiration of his term. Was Chairman of the Finance Alliance Committee for the county of Person two years. His present business is real estate agent and tobacco broker in his native town. Elected by a majority over his opponent (Democrat) by 146 votes. Has been a staunch Republican and leader in his county for ten years. The Republicans in this General Assembly voted for him unanimously for Speaker of the House; being in the minority, was defeated by the Democratic candidate—Lee S. Overman. Never defeated for any position before the people. The Democrats many of them favored him. He is considered the leader on the Republican side in the present House. He is on the following committees: Propositions and Grievances, Penal Institutions, and Engrossed Bills.

Pitt, FRED. McGLOHON, Wintersville.

Was born in Pitt County, July 11, 1847, raised on a farm and attended the common schools of the county. At the age of sixteen volunteered and enlisted in the army in Company E, Sixty-seventh North Carolina Regiment under Colonel Whitford, and remained until the surrender in April, 1865. Was promoted to Captain near the close. In May, 1875 was licensed to preach in the Free-Will Baptist Church, and is still in the ministry. Married Miss Elizabeth Ellis, July 24, 1866, and has seven living children. He has held no political office until nominated in the fall of 1892, by the Democratic Convention, for the Lower House of the Legislature, and was elected over two opponents by a majority of 62 votes. Justices, and Insane Asylums are the committees on which he is serving.

Pitt, IVAN KINSEY WITHERINGTON, Coxville.

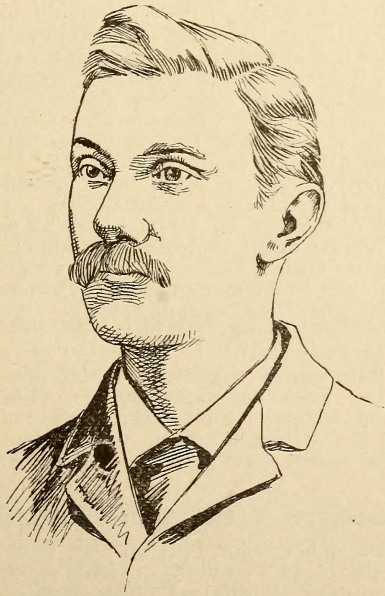
Was born in Pitt County, June 14, 1827. Raised on the farm, and educated in the common schools, with the exception of one session at Lenoir Institute. Taught school for several years. Married Miss Susan E. Smith, of Pitt County, October 7, 1856, and has seven living children. January 28, 1862, volunteered and enlisted in a local company, afterwards went into Company E, Sixty-sixth Regiment, Martin's Brigade, was promoted to First Lieutenant, and during three years and six months did valiant service until the surrender of Johnston's army near Greensboro, April 18, 1865, and received not a wound. Returned home and taught school for a while, and farmed ever since. For ten years has been a Justice of the Peace, which position he still holds. Was nominated July 28, 1892, by the Democratic Convention, and was elected over the

Republican and People's Party candidates by a majority of 76 votes a member of the present Legislature. He is serving on the following committees: Deaf and Dumb, Pensions. Has been a member of the Disciple Church for forty-six years, and a clerk of same.

Polk, GRAYSON ARLEDGE, Mill's Springs.

Born in Polk County, August 9, 1848, and was raised on a farm and educated at the common schools. Taught one school at the age of twenty-one years. Married Miss Ellen A. Waldrop, of Polk County, and has four daughters. Has farmed all his life, and has spent eight years merchandising in the community. Never held any political position until elected to the House in 1889, and again in the present session by a good Republican majority. Serving on committees on Propositions and Grievances, Agriculture, and Pensions, and is always on hand when there is any duties to perform.

Randolph, THOMAS M. ROBERTSON, Liberty.



Born in Alamance County, September 27, 1857, and is, therefore, in his 36th year. His father died in the spring of 1861,

leaving a widow, little Tom and a younger sister, whose estate having been nearly all lost in the confusion of war and reconstruction, it was not possible for young Robertson to receive that training in the schools which he so much desired. Aside from a few terms in the inefficient "old-field" schools, his educational advantages were limited to fifteen months at Pleasant Lodge Academy. At the age of eighteen years he commenced teaching in the public schools, and by close application he prepared himself for better work in his chosen profession, and in 1880 opened the doors of Rock Rest Academy in Chatham County. In 1883 he was called to take charge of Pleasant Lodge Academy, which soon became one of the most flourishing schools in Piedmont North Carolina. So signal was his success that in 1885 it became necessary to have more room and better facilities. The citizens of Liberty, Randolph County, made propositions that induced him to remove to that place, and in January, 1886, he founded Liberty Academy. His success here was marvelous, and in one year he numbered students from half the Southern States, but the onerous duties of the school-room, and the necessary study forced upon him by his not having the advantages of college training, told upon him with such effect that in the fall of 1887 his failing health forced him to tender his resignation as principal of the school. Since that time Mr. Robertson has not had any special work until about two years ago he took charge of the books of the largest mercantile firm in his town. He owns a small farm, but makes no pretentions as a farmer. In 1884 he was happily married to Miss Decie Albright, daughter of Dr. D. H. Albright, of Chatham County. Three children have blessed this union. In 1890 he was prominently mentioned as a candidate for House branch of the General Assembly, but his uncompromising position relative to the methods of certain elements in the Democratic party made it impossible to elect him. In 1892 all eyes turned to him as the man to lead the Democratic hosts of Randolph to victory. He had for an opponent Mr. I. H. Pugh, the most formidable Republican in the county. He made a fine canvass and was elected by a majority of three hundred votes. Mr. Robertson is chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, and member of the Committee on Finance, Education, Banks and Currency, Deaf and Dumb, and Public Printing, and is one of the leading members, both on the floor and in the committee rooms.

Randolph, H. K. FULLER, Jackson's Creek.

Born in Randolph County, December 23, 1829, and is a son of Henry Fuller, and a grandson of Archibald Fuller, who are descendants of the original Fuller family of Granville County, and who have held high positions in the State and Nation, and who have accumulated considerable wealth in the

way of fine farms. Young Fuller was raised on the farm, and received a limited education. As soon as the war began and the State militia ordered out, he was chosen Captain of the company, and after getting well drilled he was called to a regiment and elected Colonel, and served throughout the war in the interest of his country. Colonel Fuller was married in October, 1853, to Miss Charlotte J., daughter of the late Allen Kearnes, and is a descendant of the noted Wood family of the State. They have four sons and one daughter, the Fuller Bros., large wholesale and retail stock dealers of Lumberton, being their sons. He has held several positions of a local character, but has never taken part in State politics until nominated by his county Democracy to the present Legislature, and after a lively campaign was elected over his opponent by a handsome majority. Colonel Fuller makes a good member, and is serving on the following committees: Agriculture and Internal Improvements.

Richmond, WILLIAM R. COVINGTON, Capel's Mills.

Born in Richmond County, December 2, 1841, and has engaged in farming. Married Miss Disey J. Bennett, March 30, 1864, and has two sons and seven daughters. He belonged to Company E, Thirty-eighth Regiment North Carolina Troops. Served as Fourth Corporal, Second Sergeant, and Second Lieutenant and participated in some of the heaviest battles around Richmond, Virginia; Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg, Pennsylvania and many other skirmishes. Was taken prisoner at Gettysburg and imprisoned at Johnson's Island about eight months; and one month at Point Lookout, Maryland. Has always voted the Democratic ticket, and has been serving as Justice of the Peace for over three years; and has served as school committeeman for about fifteen years, deacon and trustee of Sharon Missionary Baptist Church about twenty-five years. He was elected as a Democrat over both the Republican and People's Party candidates by a majority of about 300 votes. Is on the Committees on Counties, Cities and Towns, and Pensions.

Richmond, LAUCHLIN McLAURIN BLUE, Rockingham.

Was born in Marlboro County, South Carolina, July 10, 1865, being the second child of Angus and Mary Ann Blue. His preparatory education was received at Laurinburg High School, and he entered Davidson College in 1882 and graduated with the degree of A. B. in 1886. From 1886 until 1890 he was engaged in teaching, being Principal, successively, of Long Pine and Conclave Academies and Laurinburg Female Insti-

tute. He is a member and ruling elder of the Presbyterian Church in the town of Laurinburg.

He was married to Miss Mattie James Mason, of Conclave, Richmond County, on October 6, 1892. Since January, 1891, has been editor of *The Rockingham Rocket.* Was elected as a Democratic member of the House of Representatives from Richmond County in November, 1892, by a plurality of 686 votes over his two opponents—the county being formerly Republican by from 100 to 300 majority. While in the House, he was on the Committee on Corporations, Agriculture, Education, Claims, Counties, Cities and Towns, and Public Printing, and is a young man of considerable promise in the future, and makes an excellent member.

Robeson, THOMAS A. McNEILL, Lumberton.

Born in Robeson County, March 21, 1844. Was raised on the farm and educated at the State University partly before the war, and after returning from the war and peace had been restored, he entered the University again and graduated in the class of 1868, the last term under the management of David L. Swaim. He studied law with Judge Battle, also Judge Pearson, and was admitted to the bar in 1868, and for fifteen years has been engaged in the practice of his profession at Lumberton with success. He has for many years served his people as chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, and in other local positions. In 1870–'72–'74 he represented his county in the Legislature, at which time, during his first term, the State was under Holden's misrule, but was soon afterwards impeached. He was married to Miss Caroline E. Smith in October, 1877, and has three children. When the best material was sought for positions last fall to carry Democracy to victory, Captain McNeill was chosen for the House branch of the present General Assembly, and after an unusual campaign he and his colleague, Mr. Oliver, were elected over their opponents, Republican and P. P., by 394 majority. He not only stands high in stature (being about the tallest member here), but as a statesman and a safe and wise lawmaker, there being few, if any, better. At present he is serving on the following committees: Judiciary, Banks and Currency, Railroads and Railroad Commission, and chairman on Committee on Privileges and Elections, and Rules.

Robeson, JAMES S. OLIVER, Affinity.

One of the Representatives from Robeson is a native of that county, and was born on August 6, 1855. He was educated in the common schools of his county and at Trinity College. In early life he taught school for several years. He then turned

his attention to farming, at which business he has succeeded. In 1886 he was elected a member of the Board of County Commissioners, and served in that capacity until January, 1891, when he resigned to accept the Democratic nomination for the House. This is his second term, which shows the estimate in which he is held at home.

On the 19th of April, 1882, he was married to Miss Annie McDuffie, of Mullins, South Carolina. They have four children. Mr. Oliver is recognized as an able and safe legislator. His politics is Democratic, without any latter day adulterations or embellishments, and says "The old article is good enough for him." He is serving on the following committees: Insurance, Counties, Cities and Towns, Insane Asylums, Agriculture.

Rockingham, ANDREW JACKSON HUDSON, Jr., Reidsville.

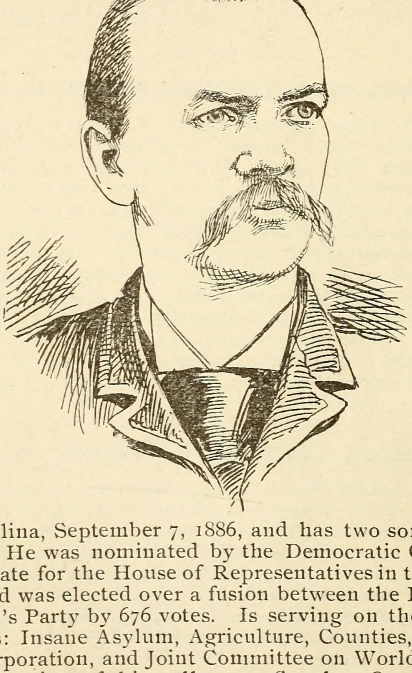
Was born in Rockingham County, August 3, 1862; raised on a farm and received a limited education in the common schools of the county. Engaged in farming on own responsibility, and keeping batch at the age of twenty-two years, and has lived a private life, holding no political positions until at present. Has been an officer of the Alliance since its organization, and is now President of his county Alliance. He has always been a Democrat up to the Chicago Convention, in August, 1892, when he accepted the nomination by the Populists to represent his county in this General Assembly, and was elected over the Democrat candidate by a majority of 103. He is serving on the following committees: Agriculture, Claims, and Insurance, and is considered the leader of the People's Party delegation.

Rockingham, JAMES AZARIAH WALKER, Monroeton.

Born in Rockingham County, within five miles of Reidsville, March 21, 1863. Was raised on the farm, which has been his chosen occupation. Was left an orphan at the age of twelve years, and hence his educational advantages have been quite limited, most of it being under the tutorship of Prof. G. R. McNeill. Married Miss Plutina Lawrence, of Guilford County, September 18, 1890, and has one child living. Has served as Lecturer or Secretary and Treasurer of his Sub-Alliance since its organization and is now Vice-President of the County Alliance, and was a delegate to last State Alliance. Has always voted the straight Democratic ticket until the last campaign, when he was nominated by the People's Party for the Legislature, to which position he was elected by 131 majority. He is serving on the following committees: Privileges and Elections, Buildings and Grounds, Military Affairs, Deaf and Dumb, and Joint Library.

Rowan, JAMES HAMPTON McKENZIE, Salisbury.

Born in Rowan County, North Carolina, June 3, 1860, and received a good English education, closing his school-days under the Rev. F. J. Murdock in Salisbury. Taught school two years, after which he served seven years as deputy sheriff of Rowan County. Has been a farmer all his life. Is a member of the Episcopal Church, and has been a vestryman for seven years. Married Miss Sallie Watson, of Rowan County,

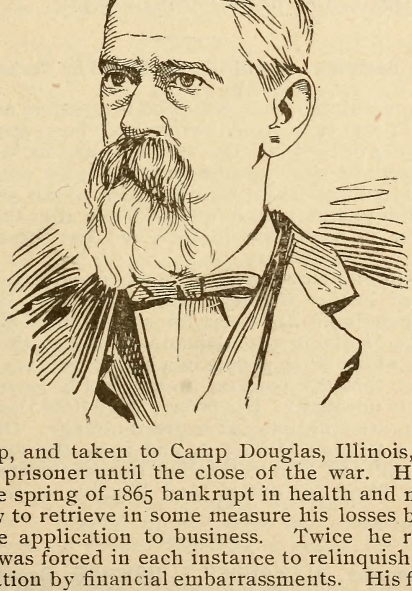


North Carolina, September 7, 1886, and has two sons and one daughter. He was nominated by the Democratic Convention as a candidate for the House of Representatives in the summer of 1892, and was elected over a fusion between the Republican and People's Party by 676 votes. Is serving on the following committees: Insane Asylum, Agriculture, Counties, Cities and Towns, Corporation, and Joint Committee on World's Fair.

Mr. McKenzie and his colleague, Speaker Overman, were instrumental in preventing the county convention from adjourning in confusion without action, and it was here he made his maiden political speech in behalf of harmony and conservative action, which afterwards prevailed.

Rutherford, ADIN LYNCH RUCKER, Rutherfordton.

Born in Rutherford County, May 7, 1842, and was the tenth child of a family of eleven children born to Colonel William and Lavina Rucker, whose parents migrated from Virginia. He was educated in the common schools of his county, entering an academy at the age of twenty where he remained only a few months. Enlisted in what was known afterwards as Company F, Sixty-second North Carolina Troops. On the organization of his company, in July, 1862, he was elected Sergeant and promoted, May 1863, to Regimental Steward; in September of that year he with the entire Regiment was captured at Cum-



berland Gap, and taken to Camp Douglas, Illinois, where he remained a prisoner until the close of the war. He returned home in the spring of 1865 bankrupt in health and means, but began anew to retrieve in some measure his losses by industry and a close application to business. Twice he returned to school but was forced in each instance to relinquish his claims to an education by financial embarrassments. His father, who was a man of some means, having died in 1860, and his property amounting to several thousand dollars having been sold on a credit of twelve months was either paid for in Confederate currency, now worthless, or lost entirely by the changed circumstances affecting the country. To these losses was added the care of his aged mother. After teaching his first school in 1865, he obtained a clerkship in a general store at

Ottor Creek where he remained until 1870, when he was married to Miss R. Jennie Morgan, whose father was for many years Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of his county. His business since has been that of a farmer in the summer and a teacher in the winter more genenally, though in several instances he has taught during the entire year. Besides his work in the school-room he has added largely to the efficiency of the public schools of his county by his position as County Superintendent and Examiner for eleven years. Politically he has always been Democratic. In religion he is a Baptist; is now, and for many years has been, clerk of the Green River Association. He is in no sense a politician and his present responsible position was not of his choosing, but was elected by a handsome majority, and is serving on the following committees: Education, Enrolled Bills, Public Health, Deaf and Dumb, and Justices of the Peace.

Sampson, CLAUDIUS E. DANIEL, Turkey.

The Representative from Sampson is a native of the county which he in part represents, having been born upon its soil on the 24th of April, 1860. He was educated at Warsaw High School, where he was prepared for college; but was deprived of a collegiate education by the ill health of his father, which required him to remain at home and look after the farm. He is a farmer in name and in fact, and has succeeded in his business.

On the 5th of February, 1889, he was married to Miss Mollie Herring, of Pender County. This is his first experience in politics, though he has been for some time a justice of the peace. Mr. Daniel is a gentleman who enjoys the esteem and confidence of his home people in a high degree, as is evidenced by the fact that the position he at present occupies came to him entirely unsought. His father, Mr. Alfred Daniel, and also his mother, are still living at a green old age. Of course Mr. Daniel is a sterling Democrat, and is on the following committees: Deaf and Dumb, Internal Improvements, Roads and Turnpikes, Blind Institution, and Election of Justices of the Peace.

Sampson, ALEXANDER F. HOWARD, Roseboro,

One of the Representatives from Sampson, was born in that county on the 26th of March, 1861, and has resided there all his life. He was educated at Salem High School, Wake Forest College, and Bryant and Stratton's Business College at Baltimore. He comes of legislative stock, his grandfather, the venerable John C. Williams, and his uncle, Mr. Charles H. Williams, having both represented Sampson in the House. Mr.

Howard is a Democrat of Democrats, and was a power in the late campaign in Sampson, the party in that county owing its success in large measure to his able and vigorous canvass. This is Mr. Howard's first term in the Legislature, and the position was forced upon him by the Democratic Convention of his county. He is purely and simply a farmer, though he knows how to build a house and do many other useful things. That he is prosperous goes without saying. He was married to Miss Lillie Turlington on the 15th of July, 1890. They have one daughter. He is one of the five great-grandsons of the late Rev. Fleet Cooper, who were candidates for office in Sampson at the last election. Member of committees on Salaries and Fees, and Insane Asylums.

Stanly, JAMES POSTELL NASH, Palmerville.

Born on a farm near Albemarle, in Stanly County, June 6, 1848, and entered the Confederate Army, with the Junior Reserves, in December, 1863, and continued in service until the close of the war. Married Miss M. E. Pemberton, of Mount Gilead, Montgomery County, September 6, 1876, who died December 31, 1878; was married again to Miss M. E. McAlister, of Milledgeville, same county, February 22, 1881, and has five children. Is a farmer by occupation, but has formerly been a merchant. Is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and has served almost continuously as steward in said church. Was elected to the Legislature of North Carolina from Stanly County in the year 1890, and reëlected to the same office November 8, 1892, by the Democratic party, and is now serving on the committees on Agriculture, Salaries and Fees, Institutions for the Deaf and Dumb, Privileges and Elections, and Railroads and Railroad Commission, and is ever watchful of the best interests of those who sent him here.

Stokes, RILEY J. PETREE, Germanton.

Born on a farm in Stokes County, November 9, 1853, and received only a limited education at the common schools. Agriculture was his chosen vocation, at which he has always been engaged.

He married Miss Addie E. Blum, of Winston, April 12, 1881, and has six children. Has never held any public position until the Republican party of his county nominated him, by acclamation to the present Legislature, and he was elected over two opponents by 390 majority. He is a very conservative Representative, and is serving on the committees on Agriculture, Internal Improvements, and Roads and Turnpikes.

Surry, STEPHEN VENABLE, Venable.

Born June 30, 1835, in Surry, where he has since lived and has become quite interested in the affairs of his native county. He was raised on the farm and has engaged in agriculture, and received a limited education—mainly at Rockford. Married Miss Kizziah T. Jones, of Surry County, and has six living children. Being a county officer during the war, he was exempted from military duties. He has for many years filled the office of Justice of the Peace, Constable and Deputy Sheriff, and in 1876 was elected for four successive years as County Commissioner, one-half of which time he was chairman of the board. In 1882 he was elected Sheriff of the county, and was elected successively for five terms, holding that position up to his election to the Legislature. At the Democratic County Convention last fall, when a strong candidate was necessary for victory, the Sheriff was nominated for the House, and was elected over his opponents by 317 votes, leading the entire ticket. Having had much experience in public affairs, he makes a first-class Representative, and is giving faithful service on the following committees: Finance, and Salaries and Fees.

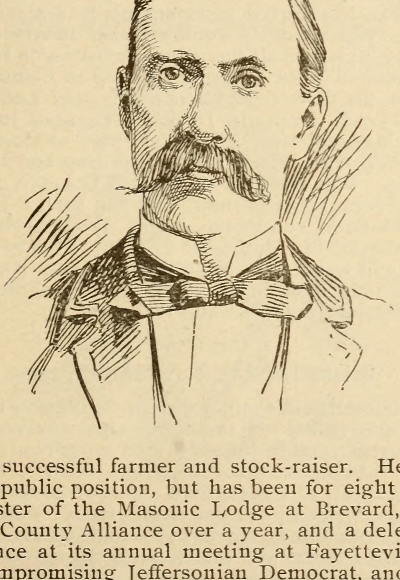
Swain, WILLIAM HAYNES QUEEN, Oconalufta.

Born in Swain County, June 1, 1847; received a limited education, and has been a life-time farmer. Married Miss Sarah A. Fisher, of Swain County, January 1, 1878, aud has three sons and three daughters. For many years he has been a Justice of the Peace, and for four and one-half years a County Commissioner — one-half of which time was chairman, and made an efficient officer. Member of the Missionary Baptist Church. Joined the Alliance May 29, 1889, and has always advocated its principles. Was a Republican in politics up to two years ago, when he enlisted in the People's Party; and it was upon the platform of the latter that he was elected by a good majority to the present Legislature, where he is on the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Transylvania, THOMAS S. WOOD, Brevard.

Born May 5, 1847, near Galashields, one of the largest manufacturing towns in the south of Scotland and about twenty-eight miles from Edinburgh, on the line of the North British Railway. His father was by occupation a shepherd. The subject of this sketch received a common-school education, after which he followed the business of his father at Selkirk Berwick, Roxborough Shires, and at the age of twenty-four years, on April 23, 1871, he boarded the steamer "Columbia," one of

the celebrated Anchor Line vessels, at Glasgow, bound for New York, making the trip across the Atlantic Ocean in seventeen days. From New York he went direct to Charleston, South Carolina, and after spending two months in that city he came to Transylvania County, Western North Carolina, where for twenty years he superintended a large farm on the French Broad river. On March 10, 1873, he married Miss Susan, daughter of John S. Barnett, of Hendersonville, and has six living children. Mr. Wood has lived a private life, but well



known as a successful farmer and stock-raiser. He has never sought any public position, but has been for eight years Worshipful Master of the Masonic Lodge at Brevard, was President of his County Alliance over a year, and a delegate to the State Alliance at its annual meeting at Fayetteville in 1889. Is an uncompromising Jeffersonian Democrat, and did all in his power to prevent the Alliance from going into politics. In 1885 he purchased a valuable farm near Brevard, to which he moved March 20, 1891. In the fall of 1892 he received the entire support of the Democratic party in the Convention, and was elected by a handsome majority, leading the entire ticket, to represent his county in the present General Assembly. He is a witty and a clever Scotchman, and has won the admiration of many friends, not only in his own section, but in the legislative halls of the State, where he makes a most acceptable member, and is serving on the following committees: Proposi-

tions and Grievances, Banks and Currency, Immigration, and Joint Committee on Election of Justices of the Peace. He attends punctually to his duties wherever assigned. Is a leading member and deacon in the Presbyterian church.

Tyrrell, CAMILUS E. TATEM, Gum Neck.

Born in Norfolk County, Virginia, June 26, 1846. His parents moved to Berkley, Va., while he was at the age of five years, and attended school, and at the age of fourteen years attended military school at Norfolk until summer of 1861, when he enlisted in Company F, Forty-first Virginia Regiment, and in January, 1862, transferred to Company E, Sixty-first Virginia Regiment. Was seriously wounded near Petersburg, July 30, 1864, having served in all the principle battles in Northern Virginia. Promoted in the latter part of 1864 to Lieutenant, where he served in the defence of his country until Lee's surrender. Moved to Tyrrell County in 1871, and engaged in the lumber business. Married Miss Ellen, daughter of Colonel Charles McClees, of Tyrrell, March, 1874, has one son living. Wife died in 1885. Was elected two terms as County Commissioner, and for one term was chairman, and has been a Justice of the Peace for fourteen successive years. Is engaged in farming, and a member of the Methodist Church. Has been a life-time Democrat, and was elected as an Independent. On committees on Propositions and Grievances, Privileges and Elections, Penal Institutions and Fish and Fisheries.

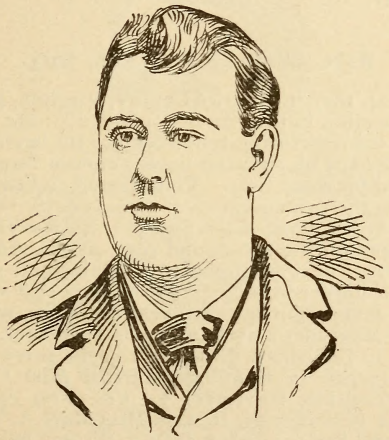
Union, THOMAS C. EUBANKS, Hope.

Born in Chesterfield County, South Carolina, August 8, 1832, where he was raised on the farm, and received a common school education, and in January, 1856, moved to Union County, this State, and taught school for several years. Married Miss Nancy A. Aarant, of Chesterfield County, South Carolina, on February 9, 1859, and he has seven sons. Volunteered and enlisted in Company E, North Carolina Regiment, Cook's Brigade, on May 8, 1862, and remained in the service of the army until Lee's surrender at Appomattox, April, 1865. Was Orderly Sergeant about one-half of the time. Been farming ever since. For the past twelve years been chairman County Commissioners, and resigned to take seat here; also Justice of the Peace for seventeen years, being elected at first by the popular vote. For a few years was on the County Board of Education. Nominated in the fall of 1892 by the Democratic County Convention, and was elected over a fusion of Republican and People's Party by a majority of 682 votes. He is a good sturdy Representative, and serving on the committees on Propositions and Grievances, Roads and Turnpikes, Agriculture, and Public Buildings and Grounds.

Vance, JAMES M. WATSON, Henderson.

Born in Warren County, October 1, 1842. Attended Henderson Colored High School, and moved to Vance in 1866. Carpenter and farmer as to vocation. Married Miss Loucinda Bridgers, December 25, 1867, and has nine children. Has been on school committee many years, and is a member of the Baptist Church. Has been elected to Legislature four successive terms—1887-'89-'91 and 1893—by the Republican party, and each time by a good majority. He is serving on the Committee on Deaf and Dumb Institutions.

Wake, WALTER H. GRIMES, Raleigh.



Born March 3, 1870, in the city of Raleigh, and is a son of the late William Grimes. Young Mr. Grimes was educated in Raleigh, where he has always lived. In the fall of 1891, within a short time after becoming twenty-one years of age, he was elected one of the Aldermen in the city of Raleigh, which position he held up till his election to his present position. When men of influence were sought in the fall of 1892, who could carry the Democratic party to victory in Wake County, the subject of this sketch was chosen as one of the standard-bearers, receiving in the Convention the unanimous vote by acclamation. He entered the campaign with the earnestness and good judgment of a politician of more mature years; and when the contest was decided on the 8th of November, this young orator led his ticket, was declared to have won the election by

a good majority over a fusion between the Republicans and People's Party. As an evidence that he was held in high esteem by people at his own home, the City of Raleigh, which has formerly gone Republican from 500 to 800 votes, at the last election went Democratic by 1,200 majority. Mr. Grimes is a Democrat of the purest type. He is one of the youngest members of the present General Assembly, being just twenty-two years of age; but he makes a most excellent Representative; and the possibilities are that he will be in the near future of great usefulness to North Carolina, and at the same time attain for himself a name of which the family will be proud. He is serving on the following committees: Chairman Military Affairs, Chairman Confederate Monument Fund, and member of committees on Claims, Penal Institutions, Counties, Cities and Towns, Joint Library, Insurance, and Election of Trustees of the University.

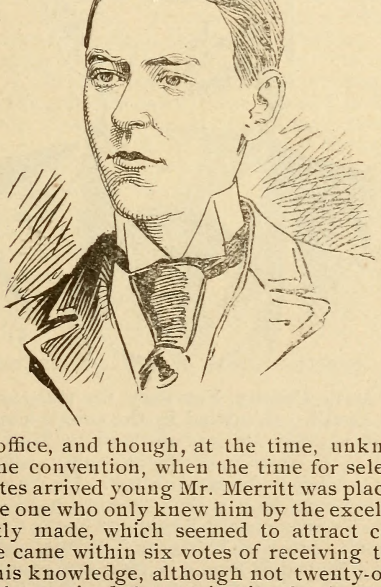
Wake, CHARLES H. CLARK, Cary.

Born May 24, 1827, in Henrico County, Virginia, and received a limited education in the city of Richmond. He engaged in farming and manufacturing tobacco up to the beginning of the war, but at the age of eighteen he was chosen Deputy Sheriff, which he held for some time. Volunteered and enlisted as the first soldier in the private ranks of Company B, 13th Virginia Regiment. At the close of the first year he was chosen Third Lieutenant, and during the second year, at the reorganization of the company, he was promoted Captain, and in 1863 was promoted still higher in the ranks to Major, and was in command of the same regiment until near the close, when he was on General Magruder's staff at Lee's surrender. After the war he came to Goldsboro, N. C., and spent seven years, and has since engaged in farming. Married Miss Casandra A. Childry, of Virginia, November 2, 1848, who died in 1872. Married again February 25, 1873, to Miss Mary A. Thompkins, of Raleigh, and has one living child. He has been a Justice of the Peace for eighteen years, and a public cotton-weigher for three years. He is a good, conscientious lawmaker and is a Deacon of the Missionary Baptist Church. Was nominated by acclamation and was elected as Wake's senior Representative by a handsome majority, and is serving on the following committees: Agriculture, Propositions and Grievances, Roads and Turnpikes, and Public Buildings and Grounds.

Wake, FREDERICK L. MERRITT, Morrisville.

Born August 4, 1869, in Chatham County, and is a son of W. H. Merritt. His parents moved to Morrisville, Wake County while the subject of this sketch was only ten years of

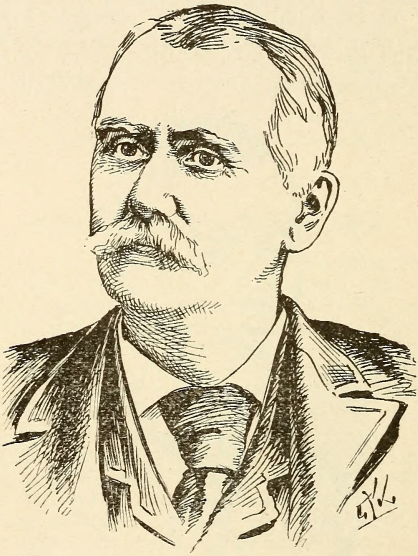
age. He entered Wake Forest College September, 1884, and graduated in the Class of 1889 with the degree of A. M. He was chosen Anniversary orator, also delivered the class oration on the Commencement occasion of his graduating year. For one year each, after leaving college, he was principal of Warsaw High School, in Duplin County, and Pamlico Institute, in Pamlico County. In 1091 he entered Harvard University, in Massachusetts, and remained one year, and the year following he was on the editorial staff of the Raleigh *Chronicle*. Mr. Merritt has always taken an interest in the success of the Democratic party and all economic questions of public interest. In the county convention of 1890 he was asked to nominate a



friend for an office, and though, at the time, unknown to the majority of the convention, when the time for selecting legislative candidates arrived young Mr. Merritt was placed in nomination by some one who only knew him by the excellent speech he had recently made, which seemed to attract considerable attention. He came within six votes of receiving the nomination without his knowledge, although not twenty-one years of age. In 1892 he received the nomination for the House branch of the General Assembly and after a most interesting campaign was elected, with his colleagues, by a good majority, over the combined influence of the Republican and People's Party candidates. Judging from the speeches Mr. Merritt has made during the present Legislature on questions of considerable importance he is paving the way for great usefulness for one

so young in years, and possessing the intellectual attainments he does in whatever pursuit he may choose to engage. He is at present serving on the committees on Banks and Currency, Education, Internal Improvements, and Deaf and Dumb.

Watauga, EDWARD FRANCIS LOVILL, Boone.



Born in Surry County, February 10, 1842, and is a son of William R. Lovill. Educated in the county common schools. On February 15, 1866, he was married to Miss Josephine L., daughter of R. E. Marion, of Surry county, who died December 25, 1891. They had four children. He served in the Confederate Army from May 4, 1861, to April 9, 1865, as Captain of Company A, Twenty-eighth Regiment North Carolina Troops, Lane's Brigade, Army of Northern Virginia, and was wounded three times. Moved to Boone in 1874, and engaged in mercantile business for a number of years. For two years was a County Commissioner. Studied law; was admitted to the bar in 1885, and has since been practicing his profession. Captain Lovill is a Democrat of the purest type, and is ever ready to advocate its principles, and is watchful of the State's best interests. He was elected to the State Senate from his district in 1883 by a majority of 303 votes, and in 1885 was elected to the

House from Watauga County, when he was instrumental in establishing the Boone Normal School. He was again elected to the present General Assembly over two opponents (Republican and People's Partyite) by a plurality of 320 votes, leading the Democratic ticket. At present he is serving on the committees on Judiciary, Railroads and Railroad Commission, Penal Institutions, and Pensions, and is chairman of Committee on Institution for the Blind.

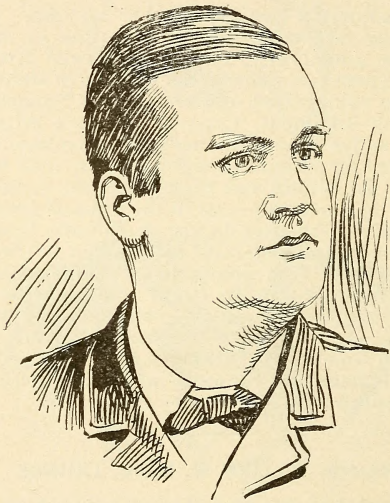
Washington, HENRY J. STARR, Mackey's Ferry.

Born in Washington County, October 29, 1828. Was raised on the farm and received a limited education in the common schools of the community, and has followed farming as an occupation. Spent two years on the railroad in Mahone. In the spring of 1862 volunteered and enlisted in Company G, 17th North Carolina Regiment, General Martin's Brigade. After two years of active service in the hardest battles, was honorably discharged on account of sickness. In 1868 was married to Miss Mary L. White, and they have one daughter. Mrs. Starr died in 1884 and now rests in the arms of Jesus. He was appointed under Governor Jarvis as County Commissioner, which position he has held until his election to the seat in the State Legislature. Was nominated by acclamation by the Democratic Convention in the fall of 1892 and was elected over a fusion of Republicans and People's Party by 56 majority. First Democrat elected in his county since the war. Serving on committees on Roads and Turnpikes, and Fish and Fisheries. Has been a Trustee and Steward in the Southern Methodist Protestant Church for about twenty years.

Warren, WILLIAM W. LONG, Littleton.

Not unlike most of the other members of the General Assembly, and a very large per cent. of the best men of our State, the subject of this sketch is the son of a farmer (N. M. Long), and it is also the occupation of young Mr. Long. He was born July 4, 1861, in Warren County, and was educated at the State University, leaving in 1882, before completing his collegiate course, on account of the death of his grandfather, Gen. S. A. Williams, with whom he had been living since the death of his father, while he was only four years of age. He was general deputy collector in the revenue department during Mr. Cleveland's administration. The highest compliment that Mr. Long has as yet received was the very strong endorsement he received at the Democratic Convention in Scotland Neck, July 27, 1892, when he came within a few votes of being the nominee from the Second District for Congress, in a contest with six other candidates—he receiving next to the highest. He had the

entire endorsement of his own county, and ere long his many friends are desirous of putting him in a position of honor and trust. He is well informed on progressive agriculture, and is engaged extensively in the cultivation of cotton and other farm crops—having some fifty tenants on his plantations. He married Miss Sallie W., daughter of Captain Thomas W. Mason, of the State Railroad Commission, December 18, 1885, who died February 27, 1891. In 1890 he was nominated for the Legislature, and was the first Democrat elected from Warren since the war, by a majority of 339 votes, and again, in 1892, when



the most available man to win was desired, he was renominated and elected by a handsome majority. He is on the committees on Railroads and Railroad Commission, Education, Penal Institutions, Insane Asylums, and Election of Justices of the Peace. Mr. Long has gained many friends here by his genial and popular manners.

Wayne, WILLIAM R. ALLEN, Goldsboro.

Of the one hundred and seventy members of the present General Assembly, a brief biography has already been given, with only a few exceptions, and perhaps no one deserved a more complimentary mention than the subject of this sketch, who is a son of the late William A. Allen, Esq., a prominent lawyer of Goldsboro, and a brother of O. H. Allen, Esq., Solici-

tor of the Sixth District of North Carolina. Young Allen was born March 26, 1860, in Duplin County, and his parents moved to Wayne County when he was 21 years of age. He received his education at Trinity College in 1876-'77, where he was a close student and worked faithfully to excel in proficiency in his classes of the several studies, as well as in the debates of the Columbia Literary Society of this college.

Married Miss Mollie, daughter of Dr. Matt Moore, of Duplin County, November 3, 1886, and has one daughter. He studied law with his father, and in January, 1881, received license and has since been practicing in Goldsboro. Has been an advocate of Democracy, but never held any prominent positions until he was nominated by acclamation as one of the Representatives in the present General Assembly, and was elected over People's party candidate, endorsed by the Republicans by a majority of sixty votes. Mr. Allen is a gentleman of intelligence and strong convictions of purpose, and it is safe to say there are few members that produce a greater influence in moulding public sentiment on questions of importance. He is Chairman of the Judiciary and member of the following committees: Railroad, and Railroad Commission, Claims, and Fish and Fisheries.

Wayne, JOHN A. STEVENS, McClammy.

Born in Wayne County, August 1, 1854; was raised on the farm and received a limited education. Until nearly grown he attended Graham High School for five months. Married Miss Julia D. Durham, of Pender County on February 22, 1877, and has three boys and one girl. Followed farming all of his life. In June, 1884, was elected County Commissioner and served for two years, which was the only public position he has ever held up to the present one. In the fall of 1892 was nominated on the first ballot for the Legislature by the Democratic Convention, and after a lively campaign he was elected over a fusion of Republicans and People's Party by a majority of 58 votes. Serving on the following committees: Agriculture, Insane Asylum, Salaries and Fees, Enrolled Bills, and Joint Committee on Library. Always held an office in the Alliance and is now County Secretary. He is a clerk in the Missionary Baptist Church at Falling Creek.

Wilson, JAMES THOMAS GRAVES, Wilson.

Born in Caswell County about fifty-eight years ago, and is a son of the late General Thomas W. Graves, who was a strong personal friend of General Andrew Jackson, and who held many prominent positions in North Carolina. His mother was a daughter of the late Rev. Dr. B. Graves, who filled

many Baptist pulpits during the closing years of the eighteenth century. The subject of this sketch studied medicine and graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, in March, 1857. Was connected with the Goldsboro Hospital, and hence did not take any active part in the late war. Dr. Graves was married in August, 1860, to a daughter of Edwin Barnes, of Wilson, and in August, 1867, moved to Wilson County, where he is successfully practicing his profession. Was a Justice of the Peace until elected President of the County Medical Society. Was elected to the present Legislature by his county Democracy, and is serving on several committees in the present session.

Wilkes, JOSEPH S. HOLBROOK, Trap Hill.

Born in Wilkes County, March 5, 1842. Raised on the farm and agriculture is his chosen occupation, and received a limited education at the common schools. During the latter part of the war was on guard at Bristol, Tenn., and in the Home Guard. After the close of the war, March 18, 1866, was married to Miss Fannie C., daughter of John Alexander, of Wilkes county, and has one son. Has served one term each as Magistrate and County Commissioner, but never accepted any other position until nominated by the Republican Convention in the fall of 1892, and was elected to the House over a Democrat by nineteen majority. Is a member of Finance and Insane Asylums Committees. A member of the Missionary Baptist Church.

Wilkes, WILLIAM M. LEE, Summit.

Born in Wilkes County, on March 6, 1847; was educated in the public schools of the community. He apprenticed himself to G. M. Woodruff, a reputable farmer of Wilkes County, until he was twenty-one years old. Was in the Home Guard during the Civil War, during part of the time carried the United States mail. Was married on December 10, 1868, to Miss Eliza Mikeal, of Wilkes County, and has six children—four boys and two girls. He was Township Clerk in Ashe County for six years in succession, and has been a Justice of the Peace in his county for many years and has served in the various offices in his township. He is a Missionary Baptist minister, having been regularly ordained for eight years. He was elected a Representative to the Legislature of 1893 by the Republican Party by 65 majority, and is serving as a member on the committees on Propositions and Grievances, and Salaries and Fees.

Yadkin, JOHN A. LILLINGTON, Panther Creek.

Born in Mocksville, Davie County, May 4, 1848, and is a son of the late John A. Lillington, Sr., who represented Rowan and Davie in the Senate from 1848 to 1854, and on the day of his election to be returned to the same position, he died, while young Lillington was only six years old, who afterwards lived with his grandfather, Colonel Nicholas L. Williams, in Yadkin County. He was educated at St. Timothy Hall, Maryland; Bingham's School; Samuel H. Wiley, Salisbury; Dr. DeBernier Hooper, Fayetteville, and at Davidson College. Is a successful farmer.

Married Miss May, daughter of Dr. R. H. Griffith, of Charlotte, April 9, 1878, and has three living children—one boy and two girls. Besides the local positions he has held, was elected to the Senate from Surry and Yadkin in 1887, and in 1892 was nominated for the House, and elected again by the Republican party over Democrat, People's Party and Prohibitionists by a majority of 137 votes. He is an intelligent Representative and the recognized leader of his party on the floor, and is on committees on Education, Penal Institutions, Insane Asylums, Banks and Currency, Health, Claims, Internal Improvements, World's Fair, and Inauguration.

Yancey, JAMES F. BYRD, Ramseytown.

Born in Yancey County, November 18, 1846, and is a son of Cornelius C. Byrd. Was educated at the common schools of the county. Married Miss Mary Parsons, March 2, 1871, and has three daughters. In 1870 he was elected Justice of the Peace and served four years. Was elected County Treasurer in 1876, and again in 1878; and to the Legislature in 1883 by the Democrats by 115 majority, and again in 1893 over Republican and Peoples' party candidates by 308 majority. Mr. Byrd is a safe and conservative member, and is serving on the following committees: Propositions and Grievances, Penal Institutions, Salaries and Fees, Deaf and Dumb, and Election of Justices of the Peace. Is a member of the Missionary Baptist Church and is a farmer by occupation.

NOTE.—The House branch is also composed of intelligent gentlemen—120 in number, representing 96 counties—and are divided about as follows: Democrats, 91; Republicans, 17; People's Party, 12; farmers, 74; lawyers, 21; merchants, 5; doctors, 3; teachers, 6; ministers, 6; carpenters, 2; manufacturers, 2; editor, 1; batchelors, 8; widowers, 2. Average age, 37 years.

LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.

SENATE BRANCH.

Principal Clerk, WILLIAM GRAY BURKHEAD, Whiteville.

Born March 6, 1856, at Chapel Hill, and is a son of the late Rev. Dr. L. S. Burkhead. Educated at Trinity College—graduating June 10, 1876. Married Miss Dixie, daughter of Captain J. B. Gayle, of Raleigh, October 23, 1879, and has two sons and three daughters. He studied law with R. H. Battle, Esq., and received license in 1878 and began to practice in Newton, but is now located at Whiteville, in Columbus County. Elected Reading Clerk of the House for three terms, 1883, 1885 and 1887; and in 1893 as Principal Clerk of the Senate. He is a true Democrat and a most excellent officer.

Reading Clerk, GEORGE PIERCE PELL, Mount Airy.

Was born in Raleigh, June 19, 1870, and is the son of the late Rev. William E. Pell, who was Chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee just after the war, and editor of the *Sentinel*, and Governor Vance's organ, the *Conservative*. He was educated at Trinity College, and afterwards acted in an editorial capacity on the *Winston Daily Sentinel*, leaving that paper in the winter of 1891 to accept the Reading Clerkship of the Senate at the age of twenty. During the next year he was Associate Editor on the *State Chronicle*, of Raleigh; but being offered inducements to go to Mount Airy, he became editor of the *Yadkin Valley News*, one of the largest weekly newspapers in the State. At the session of 1893 he was again elected Reading Clerk, and makes a most efficient officer Though very youthful in appearance, Mr. Pell is married, having early won the affections of Miss Mary V. Deshago, a Virginia belle, with whom he ended his courtship on the 25th of May, 1892.

Engrossing Clerk, HARTWELL S. BLAIR, Lenoir.

Born July 12, 1851, in Caldwell County and educated at Rutherford College. He established the *Hickory Carolinian* also the *Lenoir Chronicle*, and spent several years in journalism; but now engaged in farming and the lumber business. Married Miss Sallie E. Deal, October 21, 1874. He was a member of the State Senate in 1889, and elected to this position in 1893.

Doorkeeper, WILEY V. CLIFTON, Raleigh.

Born in Franklin County, in 1840. Served in Confederate Army four years. After the war was deputy sheriff. Married Miss Mary E. Mingo, and has one son and one daughter. Moved to Wake County, near Raleigh, in 1870 and has since been engaged in farming and building iron bridges. In 1876 when Vance was Governor was a page in Senate; in 1877 was Assistant Doorkeeper and in 1879 elected Doorkeeper, which position he held successively ever since with one exception—1891. Mr. Clifton is kind and affable and has many friends in the State.

Assistant Doorkeeper, D. McK. MATHESON, Taylorsville.

Born May 17, 1842, in Iredell County. Has been a Magistrate since 1869; was County School Examiner in 1874–'75; Tax Collector for county in 1877; Census Enumerator in 1880: County Superintendent of Public Schools in 1881–'2; and Assistant Doorkeeper of Senate 1881, and has been elected three times. Married, January 29, 1874, Miss M. C. Miller, daughter of Thomas Miller. Mrs. Matheson died a few months after their marriage. Volunteered early in 1861, and was enlisted in Company G, of the Thirty-eighth Regiment North Carolina Troops, under Colonel William F. Hoke, Pender's brigade, and was wounded at Mechanicsville, Virginia, June 26, 1862.

PAGES.—D. M. Blalock, Mitchell; Willie Bradfield, Forsyth; Lonnie Cooley, Orange; Edgar Caldwell, Cabarrus; Paul Fields, Alleghany; H. D. Harper, Lenoir; Russell Sherrill, Catawba; Thomas Vandiford, Rowan; Ernest Enloe, Jackson; and Lonnie Cooley, Wesley Jones, Erwin McKee, Willie Smith and Samuel Worth, of Wake County.

SPECIAL MESSENGERS. — Bernard G. Gilmer, Surry, and Charles R. Suggs, Pitt County.

OTHER EMPLOYEES.—Seventeen in number.

HOUSE BRANCH.

Principal Clerk, JAMES MILTON BROWN, Troy.

Born in Randolph County, in the year 1852, and graduated at Trinity College with first honor in class of 1875. Studied law with Judge Pearson, and began practicing in Montgomery County in 1878. Was elected Mayor of Troy and afterwards nominated by the Democratic party for State Senate, but

defeated. For six years was Chairman County Executive Committee. Has been Engrossing Clerk of the House for four terms, and Principal Clerk for two terms. In 1886 he married Miss Mattie, daughter of Dr. R. Andrews, of Stanly County, and has two children.

Reading Clerk, HEBER A. LATHAM, Washington.

Born in Beaufort County, May 29, 1861. He was educated at the State University, graduating in class of 1885, having worked his way through college, and was honored as Librarian, editor of the *Magazine* and representative of the Phi. Society, which awarded him a gold-headed cane. He is now editor of the *Washington Gazette*, a live weekly paper in Eastern Carolina. He is Vice-President of the State Conference of the Christian (Disciple) Church. Was elected to the position he now holds in 1889, 1891 and 1893, and makes a good officer. He is "gay and festive" and "heartwhole and fancy free," and the young ladies should make a note of it.

Engrossing Clerk, A. HAMPTON HAYES, Birdtown.

Born in Cherokee County, January 22, 1848, and raised on a farm and educated in the common schools. Married Miss M. E. Leatherwood, of the same county, November 4, 1869, and has seven children. For many years has been a citizen of Swain county, and held the position of Chairman Democratic Executive Committee, Chairman Board of Commissioners, member Congressionaal Executive Committee, and Vice-President State Farmers' Alliance, besides, has represented Swain democracy in the Legislature three terms, 1883–'85–'87. Is now serving the second term as Engrossing Clerk of the House.

Principal Doorkeeper, D. R. JULIAN, Salisbury.

Born June 5, 1850, in Rowan County; son of William Julian. Educated in his native county. Married Miss H. R. E. Culverhouse, daughter of Hugh Culverhouse, on April 24, 1872, and is jubilant over four little Julians. Has held the office of City Treasurer of Salisbury and Alderman for eight years. This is his fifth term in the position he now holds, and he exerts every effort to keep the best of order.

Assistant Doorkeeper, GEORGE L. KILPATRICK, Kinston.

Born in Lenoir County, September 7, 1844. Educated in the common schools. Married Miss Rachel Mewborne, and has six living children. Is now holding his third successive term as Assistant Doorkeeper, and looks well to his duties.

PAGES.—Charles Edwards, Allegheny; Kemp Griffin, Randolph; Rush King, Guilford; Elmer Long, Alamance; David Stineback, Halifax; William Smith, Forsyth; Everett Badger, Graham Clark, Hamilton Young, Everett Kennedy and Ernest Lambert, Wake County.

SPECIAL MESSENGER.—George F. Kennedy, Wake County.

OTHER EMPLOYEES.—Eighteen in number.

Enrolling Clerk, ALLAN K. SMITH, Smithfield.

[ELECTED BY JOINT CAUCUS.]

Born September 10, 1867, in Johnston County, and educated at the common schools. Has been engaged in merchandising naval stores, clerkship in different establishments, and for two years was associate editor of the Smithfield *Herald*. He is a young man of encouraging possibilities for future usefulness, and is not married. This is his second term for this position, and is assisted in this department by A. E. Posey, Henderson; J. S. Bell, Clay; J. P. Kitchin, Halifax, and W. P. Shaw, Jr., Hertford County.

SUMMARY.—The total of all members, officers and employees of the General Assembly numbers 220 persons, who are engaged in the prosecution of the present lawmaking affairs of North Carolina, beginning January 4, and ending March 4, 1893—a session of sixty days, as specified by law. Sessions are held in the State Capital at Raleigh, a picture of which appears on the front cover of this book.

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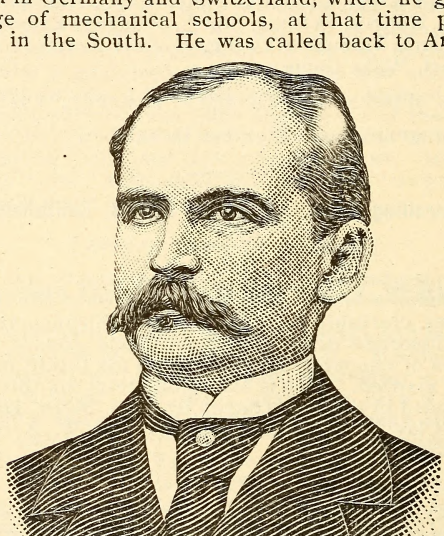
ALEXANDER Q. HOLLADAY,

President North Carolina Agricultural Mechanical College.

The subject of this sketch, who is doing a most excellent work at the head of one of the leading State institutions, was born fifty-two years ago in Spottsylvania County, Virginia, where his ancestors had resided since 1702. He was educated in the classical schools of Richmond, at the University of Virginia, and in Germany and Switzerland, where he gained his knowledge of mechanical schools, at that time practically unknown in the South. He was called back to America by



the impending Civil War. He entered the army in the spring of 1861, remaining in the service until paroled at Greensboro, N. C., in 1865. His associations with the soldiers of North Carolina were so intimate that the Holladay home, near Richmond, became known through the army of Northern Virginia as the North Carolina Hospital, from the hundreds of ill and wounded Carolinians who were gladly cared for under its roof. After the war was ended Colonel Holladay came to a farm, purchased by him in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, and remained there three years, returning to Virginia in

response to an urgent appeal from his parents, who had no other son. While urging upon the public mind the importance of greater attention to internal improvements and technical education as the speediest way to restore the wasted prosperity of the country, he was elected to the Senate of Virginia from the city of Richmond and county of Henrico, and represented that district for four years, giving his attention chiefly to educational and legal subjects. After leaving the Legislature he was elected to the Presidency of the Stonewall Jackson Institute in Abingdon, Va., and during his third term of service there was elected to the chair of English and History in the Florida Agricultural and Mechanical College, just beginning. A few months later the president of that college being called to Tulane University, New Orleans, Colonel Holladay was, without any consultation with himself, unanimously chosen to succeed President Hart, and served three terms in that capacity, and completing the organization of the Florida College. In 1889 the Board of Trustees of the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts honored him with the mission to organize and set in motion a school of technology for this State, and to that work he has devoted the last three years. That college is now fairly under way, with an attendance of one hundred and fourteen students, though it has not had time to send out, as yet, its first graduating class. Its courses are practical and thorough, substituting for the classics a complete technical education, so that its graduates shall know not books alone, but shall also be able to build a railroad or arrange and manage a great manufacturing establishment, construct a dynamo or lay a submarine cable. The most difficult and trying part of the work of establishing this college is now past, and President Holladay feels assured that its value will steadily demonstrate itself with each succeeding year. This college, like all the land grant colleges in the United States, draws its main support from the sale of public lands granted by Congress, and has received but little pecuniary assistance from our own Legislature. Its organization has been examined by competent experts and pronounced one of the best, and no effort will be spared, so far as means will allow, to broaden its courses and perfect its work. No other college has done so much in three years, and without grave misfortune its future usefulness to our State is sure.

CHARLES D. McIVER,

President of the State Normal and Industrial School.

Charles Duncan McIver was born September 27, 1860. He is a native of Moore County and comes from the Scotch stock, so numerous in the south-central part of North Carolina. His grandfather on his father's side came from Scotland, and before the Civil War was a large planter in the Deep River country, as

was also his mother's father, W. D. Harrington, who lived in the same section. His father, M. H. McIver, lives in Chatham County, and is a farmer and merchant. He has held no public positions of importance, but his sturdy integrity and high character have won for him an enviable reputation where he is best known,

President McIver received his preparatory education chiefly from Professor John E. Kelly, of Moore County. He entered the State University in 1877, and in 1881 graduated with honor in the largest class that has come from that institution since its reopening.

After graduation he began his life work in Durham as assistant to Professor L. T. Buchanan, who was Principal of a school for boys. A few months later Mr. Buchanan decided to retire from teaching, and Mr. McIver bought his property and became Principal of the school. His first vote was cast a few months thereafter for the establishment of the Graded School in Durham, though it was well known that it meant death to his private school. He served as assistant superintendent of the Durham Graded School, and afterwards filled the same position at Winston, having aided in the organization of both schools. Having resigned his position in Winston, he went to Raleigh in September, 1886, to accept a professorship in Peace Institute, then under the management of Rev. R. Burwell & Son. While in this Institution he organized and taught a normal department, probably the first attempt made in this direction by a North Carolina school of similar character. After three years of work at Peace Institute, he resigned to accept the position of State Institute Instructor, to which he was elected by the State Board of Education. In institute work he, together with his colleague, Professor E. A. Alderman, canvassed every section of North Carolina, conducting teachers' institutes and agitating the question of public education with a systematic persistence never before known in North Carolina. Partly to this work is due the fact that the General Assembly of 1891 established the Normal and Industrial School, and increased the rate of the State tax for public schools twenty per cent. Before beginning the State Institute work in 1889, Mr. McIver had been active in the Summer Normal Schools, as they were called, having twice had charge of the Sparta Normal School and once acting as Principal of the Wilson Normal School.

He has taken an active part in the work of the Teachers' Assembly, and has had the honor of being President of that body. In 1889 he was made a trustee of his alma mater, and he is now a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the State University. He is also Treasurer of its Alumni Association, the Association having been organized at his suggestion and having adopted a plan proposed by him to raise the Alumni fund to aid worthy young men without means to get an education.

The great ambition of Mr. McIver's life, however, has been

to secure such aid to the education of young women from the State, the church and the philanthropist as they have given to the young men through appropriations and endowment funds. He has for a number of years been the most active and aggressive agitator of this question. It was due partly to this fact that when the State decided two years ago to establish the Normal and Industrial School for young women at Greensboro, he was unanimously elected its President.

The rapidity with which the Institution over which he presides has won its way to the public heart is unprecedented in North Carolina. Having begun its work last October, it is now only five months old. It has had twice as many applications for admission as it can accommodate, and its enrollment of students is 220.

In 1885 President McIver was happily married to Miss Lula V. Martin, of Winston. She had been the primary teacher of the Winston Graded School, and since her marriage she has been a successful assistant to her husband in all his undertakings.

JOSEPHUS DANIELS,

State Printer and Binder.

The subject of this sketch, having been connected with the press of North Carolina since quite a youth, is known throughout the State. He was born May 18, 1862, in Washington, Beaufort County. He received a rudimentary education at the Wilson Collegiate Institute. At the age of eighteen he was local editor and part owner of the *Wilson Advance*. A year later he became sole editor and owner of that paper. In 1882, in company with his brother, he commenced the publication of the *Kinston Free Press*. He read law under Hon. John Manning at the University in 1885, and obtained his license the same year. The day after receiving his license to practice he succeeded Captain Randolph A. Shotwell as editor of the Raleigh *State Chronicle*, which paper he edited ably and circulated widely through the State. He sold the *Chronicle* to Thomas R. Jernigan, March 20, 1892, and on the 5th of August same year established *The North Carolinian* in Raleigh, which is a welcome weekly visitor to thousands of homes. Mr. Daniels is a conservative Democrat and a fluent writer, and for many years has been an earnest advocate for the establishment of a Railroad Commission, and also the question of compelling all railroad companies to pay tax to the State. For four successive terms Mr. Daniels has been elected State Printer, and in the Democratic caucuses his vote has been as follows: In 1887, 48 against 36; 1889, 98 to 19; 1891, unanimous, and in 1893, 83 to 17. He was married May 2, 1888, to Miss Addie Bagley, of Raleigh, daughter of the late Major W. H. Bagley, who was for a long time Clerk of the Supreme Court, and granddaughter of Governor Jonathan Worth.

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George A. Jones	Twelfth	Franklin.

OFFICIAL VOTE OF NORTH CAROLINA, 1892.

FOR PRESIDENT.

Grover Cleveland, d	133,098.	Jas. B. Weaver, p. p	44,732.
Benj. Harrisson, r	100,346.	J. F. Bidwell, p	2,590.

FOR GOVERNOR.

Elias Carr	135,519.	Wyatt P. Exum	47,840.
David M. Furches	94,684.	James M. Templeton	2,457.
		Thomas M. Holt	5.

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Rufus A. Doughton	135,301.	Robert A. Cobb	46,981.
Jas. M. Moody	94,820.	Wm. G. Chandler	2,410.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE.

Octavius Coke	134,973.	Rufus Amis	94,781.
Lemuel N. Durham	47,450.	Jno. W. Long	2,356.

FOR TREASURER.

Donald W. Bain	134,887.	Wm. H. Worth	47,904.
Henry C. Dockery	93,424.	John W. Bonner	2,365.

FOR AUDITOR.

Robt. M. Furman	134,698.	Edward G. Butler	47,634.
Hiram G. Grant	94,609.	David B. Nelson	2,380.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

John C. Scarborough	134,940.	John W. Woody	46,699.
Edward C. Parisho	94,627.	Robert C. Root	2,358.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Frank I. Osborne	133,747.	Thos. R. Purnell	94,405.
		Robert H. Lyon	46,458.

CONGRESSIONAL VOTE.

FIRST DISTRICT.

Branch, d 14,263 Gatling, p. p. and r 11,576
Bonner, pr 57.

SECOND DISTRICT.

Woodard, d 13,925 Cheatham, r 11,714
Thorne, p. p 5,457.

THIRD DISTRICT.

Grady, d.....12,457 Clark, r.....5,271
Koonce, p. p.....9,869.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

Bunn, d.....14,640 Strowd, p. p.....12,916
Williamson, r.....2,106.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

Williams, d.....13,746 Settle, r.....14,075
Lindsay, p. p.....4,358 Love, pr.....424

SIXTH DISTRICT.

Alexander, d.....16,624 Maynard, p. p.....12,127

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

Henderson, d.....14,303 Holton, r.....9,136
Shuford, p. p.....5,399.

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Brower, d.....16,896 Wilcox, r.....13,215
Patton, p. p.....3,564.

NINTH DISTRICT.

Crawford, d.....16,010 Pritchard, r.....14,960
Brown.....872.

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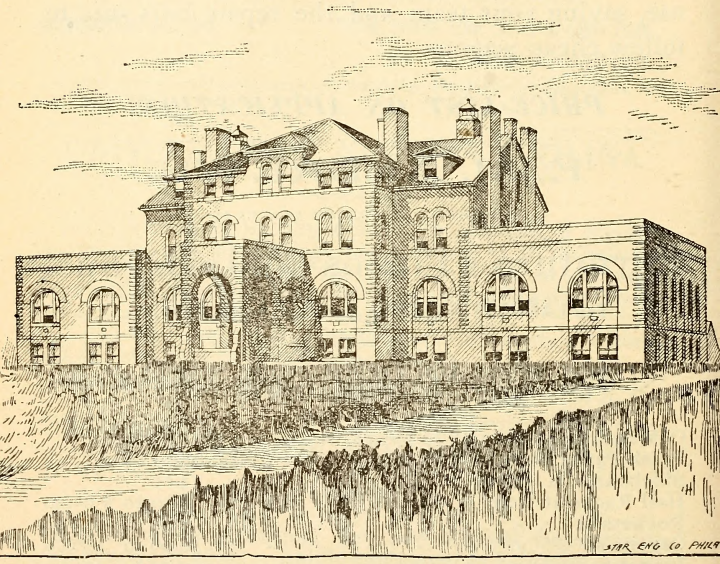

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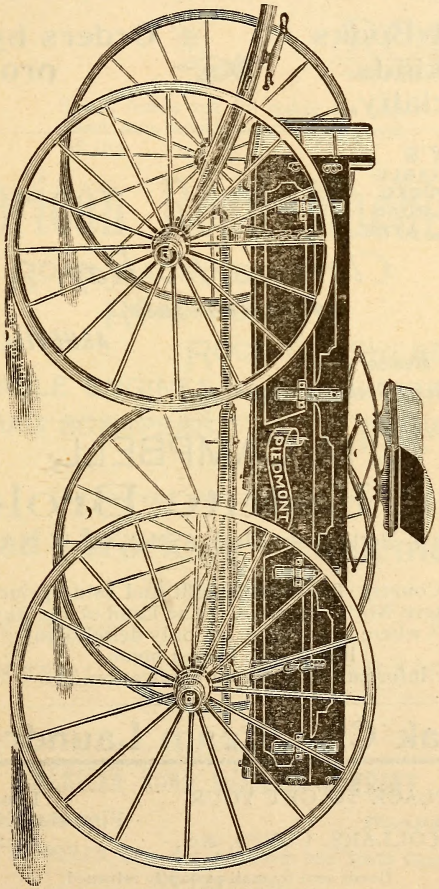

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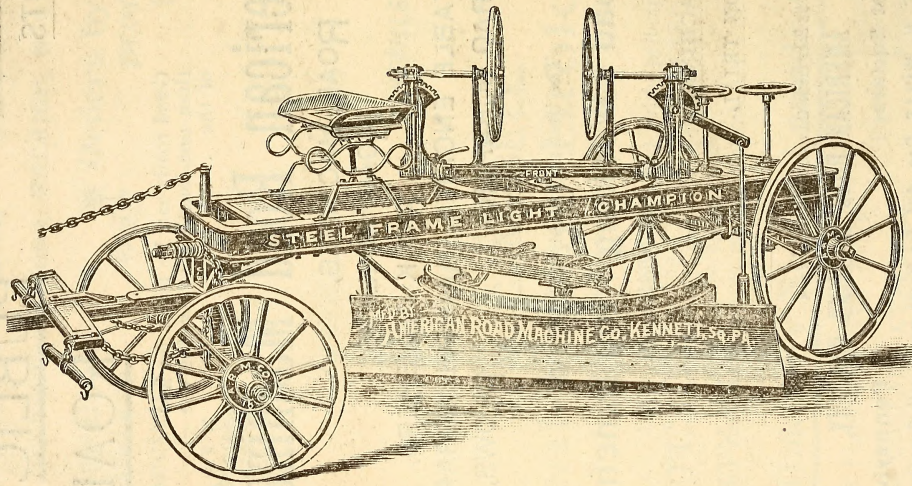

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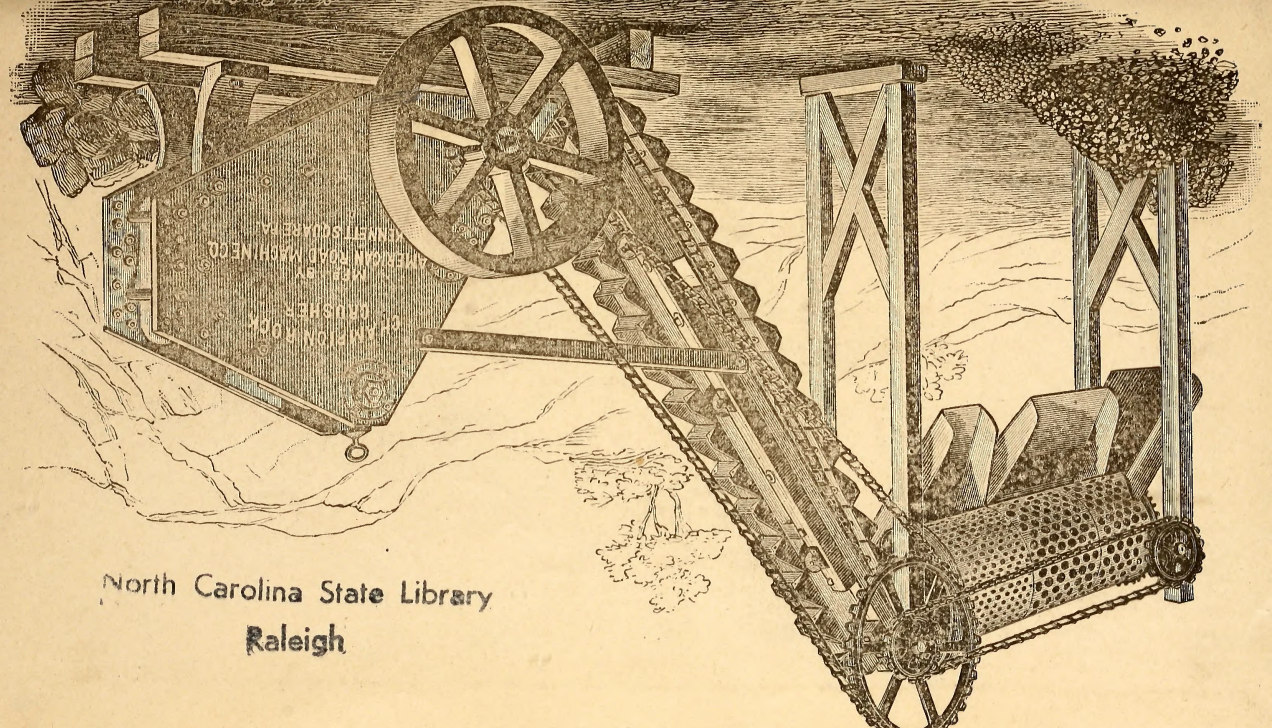

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